



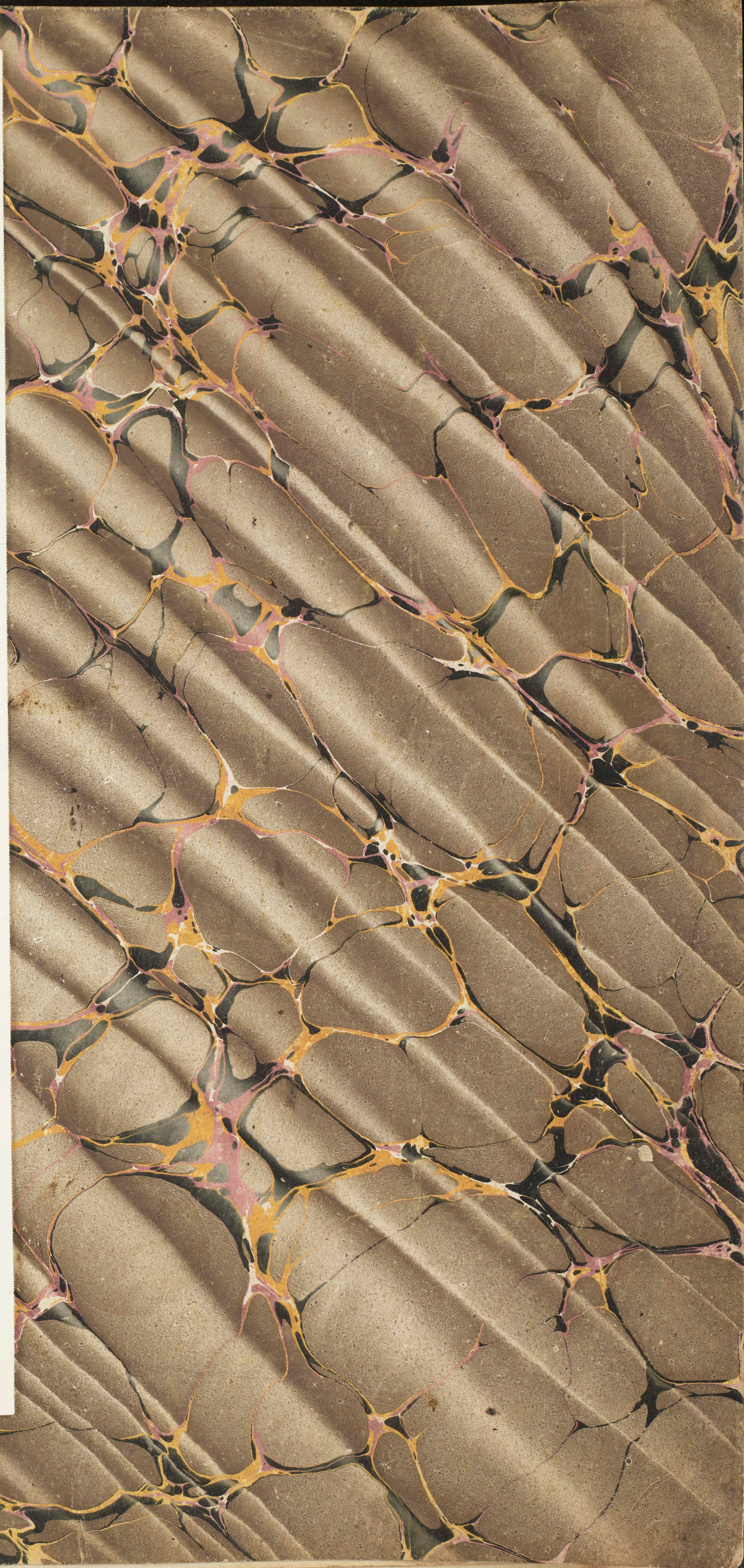
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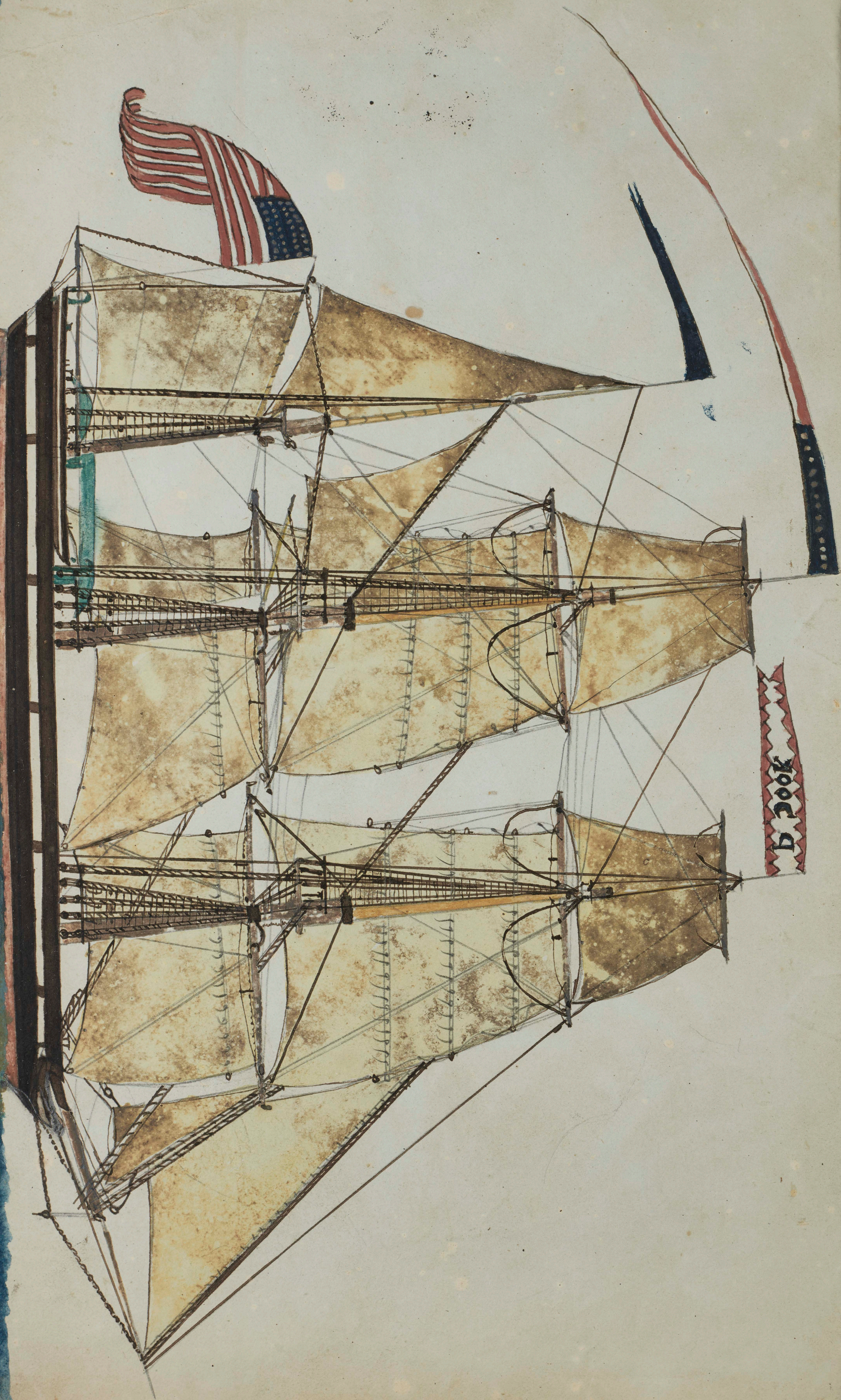
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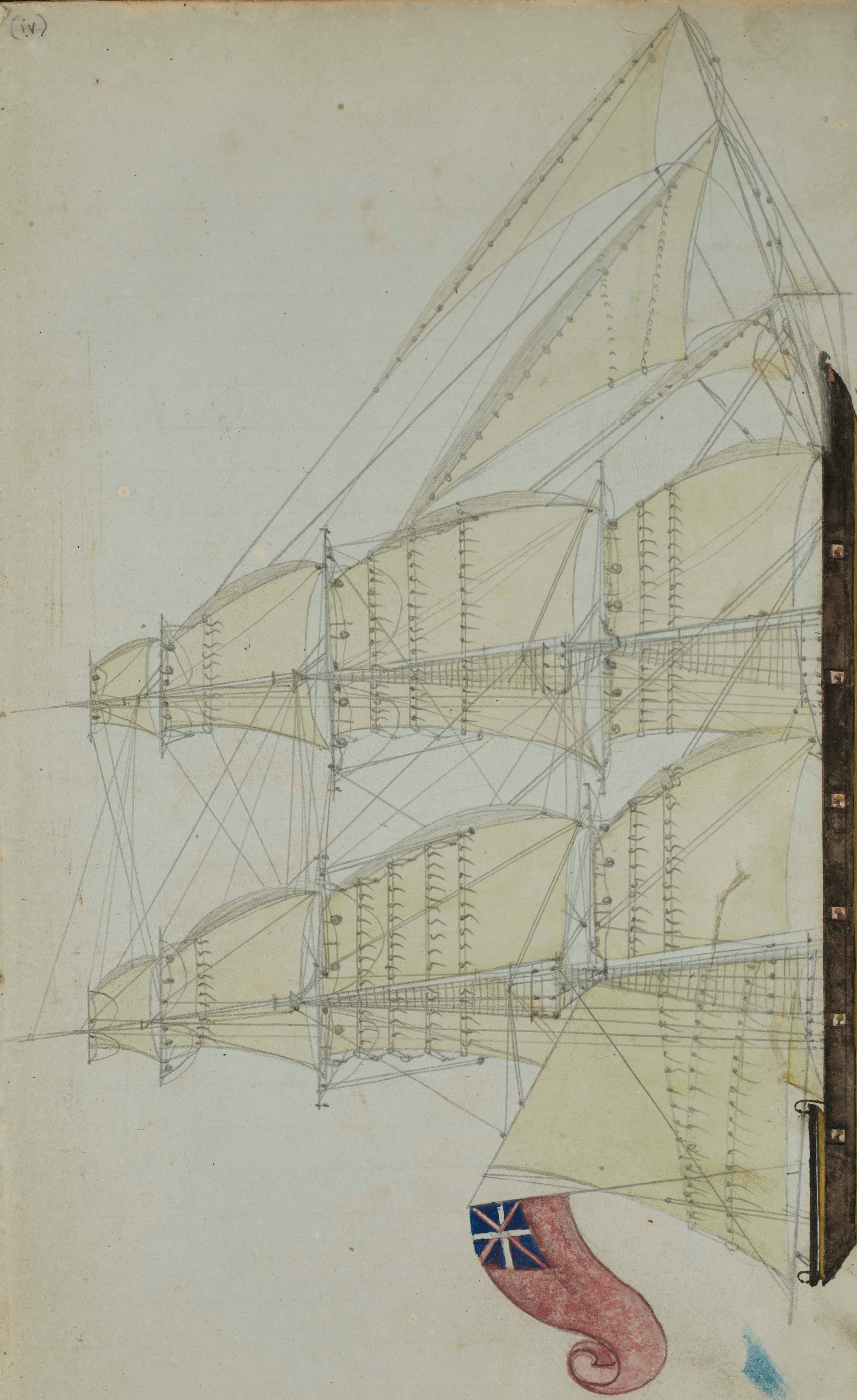
Joseph W. Buck,  
Book, bought, in St. Thomas.  
W.I. March, Saturday <sup>the</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1846  
on a Whaling Voyage. 10 Months  
out, with 130 Barrells of Sperm oil  
on board. written at Sea; June  
<sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> <sup>1846</sup> in Lat 33<sup>o</sup> 45' N Lon 52<sup>o</sup> 02' West.  
180 Barrells oil on Board.













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# Sketch of A. J. Whalman's Journal.

Kept on board the Barque Parker Cook of & from  
Provincetown Commanded by Capt. G. P. Smith. of the  
Kept by J. W. Buck

Friday October <sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1846.

At 15 minutes past 12 P.M., got  
under weigh, in Provincetown Harbor, bound to Sea,  
on a whaling Voyage, in the N<sup>o</sup> & S. Atlantic  
Oceans, At 4 o'clock P.M. past the Race Point &  
run down the Sandy shores, of Cape Cod. At 8  
o'clock was abreast of the Highland light. At 12  
took our Departure from Chatham Light & run  
SSE, with a fine breeze from the N<sup>o</sup> W. & C.

Oct <sup>the</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>,

1846.

Took a very heavy Gale of wind from  
the SE. which lasted 12 hours. Then shifted  
round to the SW with a very heavy squall, &  
lasted 8 hours, the ship lying to under a main  
Spencer & foretopmast staysail, the vessel shipping  
a great quantity of water across Decks. The wind  
then shifted round to the NW with another heavy  
squall, & very heavy rain. & lasted 14 hours. we then  
secured the ship under a closer reef of Topsail  
for 4 hours, it then moderated a little & we set sail  
according to the wind. Lat at the end of <sup>the</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>  
was by observation 37<sup>th</sup> N. Lon not ascertained



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November Monday <sup>the</sup> 2<sup>d</sup>. 1846

Very heavy Gale from the E.S.E. the ship lying to under close reefed Topsails headed to the Southward, & a very heavy Sea running from the Eastward, & continued to blow till Thursday <sup>the</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>. then moderated, & shifted to the W. wore Tye & stood E, & set whole sail, & commenced fitting the Route. Lat & Lon this day, not ascertained. &c.

November Sat & Sun <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. 1846.

Fresh Gale from the Eastward, & very squally with frequent & heavy rains. The ship standing S.S.E. under short sail, & a very heavy sea running from the S.E. At the last part of Sunday rather more moderate & clear At 12 M, was by observation, in Lat, 28° 43', & Lon 57° 10', just saw a small Brig standing to the Southward

November Thursday <sup>the</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>. 1846.

Pleasant gales from the Eastward, & have been so this last 10 days, & very clear. The ship heaving, from S.E. to N.E., by tacking back & forth the wind blowing very steady, not veering more than 2 Points at the most. saw one school of Porpoises bound to the Eastward. At 12 M in Lat by observation, 29° 29', & Lon by Chronomet, 54° 42' 15" by Lunar, 54° 57' 15"

November Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>. 1846.

Convergences with Pleasant Gale from the S.E. the ship standing E.N.E. continues to increase, At 6 P.M., reefed the Topsails & took in



The Ship, Mainsail & Spanker, At 8 A.M. double reefed  
the Topsails, & took in the Waist Boat, a very heavy  
Sea & running from the Eastward, & very squally  
with heavy rains, the wind about South. At 12 M  
Lat & Lon not ascertained for error this day &c

November Sat <sup>The</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 146.

Heavy Gale from the South, & a very  
heavy sea & running from the Eastward At 1 P  
M, sent down the foremast yard, At 6 reefed the Fore  
sail, & flew down the fore topsails, heavy rains, At 1  
10 took the wind from the South West, & kept  
the ship off E, & set the fore topsail, At 11 more  
moderate, set sail accordingly, At 4 A.M. sent up  
the Main topmast yard, At 12 Lat 30. 10 Lon 52. 40.

November Sunday <sup>The</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 146.

Pleasant Gale from the W the ship  
running E by S, At 5 A.M. set up the fore topmast  
yard, & set the sail, & set the fore topmast stand  
ding sail, a very heavy swell running from the  
SW, Lat & day At 12 M. was 30. 10 Lon 49. 32. 45

November Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 146

Fresh gale from the Westward, the weather  
very squally, with heavy rains, the ship running E  
At 4 P.M. past a Bark running to the N.E.  
At 10 A.M. past a bright slick smelt very strong  
of whales, saw a whale blow 3 times, a tender could  
not make her out, At 12 M. in Lat 31. 21. N Lon 43. 28  
took observation for the latitude so error 3 days, &c &c &c



November Sunday <sup>the</sup> 22<sup>a</sup>  
from Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> to Sunday <sup>the</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>

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Fresh gales most of the time, & very thick & stormy weather, & squally with all, & reefed 3 or 4 times. kept a loft most of the time but saw nothing of any account, worth noticing till Sunday <sup>the</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>, when we saw a Brig running to the N. W. quite free, we running S. E. by E. with whole sail & fine gales from the Westward & clear. Lat this day was by observation 33° 11' 06" N. Lon 33° 12' 26" West, so ends the 24<sup>th</sup>.

November Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 146

Fresh gales from the Southward, & unsteady, saw one school of Porpoises, bore South, At 6 A.M. saw a large ship running to the North North West, At 12 took in fore & Main top gallant sail & gaff topsail, it blowing fresh, ship standing off, Lat to day 30° 26' N. Lon 28° 39' West, so ends the 24 Hours, & all well, so

November Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 146

saw spots. Fresh gales from the Southward the ship standing S.E. the weather very squally & winds unsteady. At 12 midnight took a heavy squall of wind & rain, from the South, took in every thing but double reef topsail & kept the ship N. very heavy Thunder, & lightning. At 5 A.M. set all sail with the wind from the S. E. by E. & steered to the South, & saw a large ship to the South, standing South, At 8 A.M. put out the Waist Boat, upon the ruins. At 12 M. Lat. 29° 48' N. Lon 27° 37' 15" W. &c.



November Thursday <sup>the</sup> 26<sup>th</sup>

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Light breeze, but squally, from the West South West, ship standing South East, At 1 P.M. spoke a Brecken Brig running to the N.E. could not understand them, their Lon was,  $24^{\circ} 10'$ , had no chalk handy, so we could not tell him ours. At 4 P.M. saw a Grampus this afternoon, quite pleasant, the wind from the westward, & kept the ship South; At 1 P.M. calm took a Lunar obs, Lon by Lunar,  $26^{\circ} 37' 15''$  Lat  $27^{\circ} 37' 15''$  At 12 M,  $29^{\circ} 18' N$ , saw a number of Brecken

Friday November <sup>the</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>

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3 Fine pleasant weather & very light breezes from the Westward, ship running South At 7 P.M. took a Lunar observation by observing the Distance of Saturn from the Moon, Lon 19 seconds to the Eastward of the Chronometer At 9 A.M. calm & very smooth. the wind very baffling At 12 M. Lat  $28^{\circ} 24' N$  Lon  $27^{\circ} 30' 15''$  West At 11 P.M. light breeze from the N.W. At 4 P.M. more wind, so cross this day of 20 hours & all

Saturday Nov <sup>the</sup> 28<sup>th</sup>

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This day began At sunrise At 6 o'clock, with a light wind from the S.W. continued so till 11 A.M. when we took a squall from the N.W. & took in topsail sail, the day took a squall but proceeded At 12 M. Lat & Lon not ascertained, kept the ship S.W. At 6 P.M. took a squall from N.W. took in sail & ran at 10



Nov Sunday <sup>the</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 146

Very fine but very fresh  
Gales from the N.W. & N.E. the ship runs  
ing. By the first day, with every thing set,  
the weather more settled, & clear, but very rough. At  
12 Meridian Lat by obs 24° 52' N. At 2 P.M. Lon  
25° 10' left off to speak with a full rigged Brig  
bound to the S.W. but could not speak us. &c

December Sunday <sup>the</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 146

Moderate gales, & fair weather, entered  
the Trades Winds, in Lat 21° 46' N. Spoke a  
Brig from Liverpool Eng, bound to Para, her  
Longitude being 2 degrees, to the Eastward of us,  
saw a few Preenies, called them Grampuses  
all this day employed as usual, &c &c

December Thursday <sup>the</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 146

Fresh Gales from the E. to E.N.E. ship running  
S.E. At 10 P.M. took in standing sail & fore  
top gallant sail. At 5 A.M. set sail again. At  
9 saw the Island of St. Nicolas bearing S.W.  
Dis 30 miles At 12 in Lat 17° 02' N Lon 25° 40' W  
Chronometer 30 miles in error,

December Friday <sup>the</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 146

Fresh Trades, from E to E by S, At 4  
P.M. abreast of the East Point of St. Nicolas, kept  
the ship off for the island of Brava Distance 90 Miles,  
bearing S.E. At 4 P.M. saw the isle of Fogo



Took in sail & here too to the N. At 5 1/2 A  
M. set whole sail & kept off S.W. At 8 saw  
the isle of Brava, At 12 Noon abreast of it, Lat  
by obs 14 45 N Lon 23 37 45. so ends this day  
saw a large school of Porpoises & struck one

Dec Friday <sup>the</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>. 1846. Saturday

Fresh Trades, from N.E. to S.E. the ship  
running South. Left sight of Brava at 4 P.M.  
with a very heavy swell from the south. At 12  
noon, in Lat 12 37 N Lon 23 59 W etc.

Sunday Dec. <sup>the</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Pleasant Trades, from E to S.E. & light  
& baffling the ship running South. At 12  
noon in Lat 9 46 N Lon 23 46. West. etc. etc. etc.

Dec Monday <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Pleasant Gale from the N.E. the  
ship running S.E. continues pleasant &  
clear. At 12 M in Lat 8 02 N Lon not as

Dec Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 8<sup>th</sup>. 1846.

Continues fair & pleasant &  
& light Trades. at 2 P.M. got a porpoise, at  
4 P.M. took the variables with a squall. from  
the S.E. & At 9 took a squall of rain. at  
12 fair At 12 noon Lat 7 05 N Lon not  
ascertained so ends this day & all well.



Dec Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 1846

This 24 hours, very moderate, & buffing  
& very few squalls, of rain not more than  
2 or 3 for the whole day, quite a swell from  
the S.W. headed South most of the time &  
more 25 miles Eastern, & 17 mile western  
Lat at noon 6.48 N Lon 22.27 West. &c.

Dec Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> 1846

First part of this 24 hours, fine weather  
& clear most of the time, the last part more  
squally, with heavy showers of rain. At 6  
A.M. saw a full rigged Brig to the Eastward  
standing south. At 11 A.M. took a heavy squ  
all of rain, & a very heavy swell from the S.W.  
This day saw a shoal of Porpoises & struck one  
& lost him. Lat, to day 6.43 N Lon 22.06 W

Dec Friday 11<sup>th</sup> 1846

This day began with a heavy squall,  
from the N.W. At 3 P.M. took another squ  
all from the S.W. very heavy with rain  
continued to blow heavy till 9 P.M. rain  
very hard all the time, run under double reefs  
till 10 P.M. then set sail as it moderated, At  
12 Mid night held up running, with the wind  
from the Westward & continued clear to the end  
of the day, At 12 M in Lat 5.40 N Lon 22.12 W



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Dec Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> 1846.

First part of this day light squalls & cloudy, ship lying to the Southward. At 5 P.M. lowered the Boats for exercise, all pulled alike, At 6 came on board, At 7 A.M. calm & very clear, At 5 A.M. took a light breeze from the N.E., At 10 took a Lunar obs., Len 2 Degrees out of the way, from Chro, Lat At 12 noon 51° 11' N Long 29° 42' West

Dec Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Very fine weather, & clear, the whole of this 24 hours. & very smooth, At 5 P.M. saw a school of whales, lowered & gave chase, they proved to be Fin backs, gave up the chase & came on board. At 12 noon Lat, 41° 09' N Long 22° 17' W light breeze from the South East. so ends this 24<sup>th</sup>

Dec Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> 1846.

This day commenced, & ended with very heavy rain. the whole day through & very light baffling winds from all quarters & some time very squally. At 6 P.M. took in topgallant sails, & single reefed the topsails & took in the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Studding Sails. At 2 A.M. set whole sail & kept S.E. by W. At 12 noon Lat 31° 39' N Long not ascertained. & & & Light breeze from the N.E. the ship running S.E. West. so ends this day.



Dec Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1846.

First part of this 24 hours, very squally with heavy rains. The wind very baffling. At 8 P.M. took in single reef topsails, Gib & Spanker. At 11 P.M. took a fresh breeze from the Eastward & set whole sail & kept the ship S.P.W. At 1 P.M. clear. At 8 A.M. took the wind from the E.S.E. At 12 M. Lat 21° 47' N Lon not ascertained took the S.E. Trades Lon 23° 37' West &c.

Dec Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1846.

First part of this day light Trades & baffling last part fresh breezes. At 1 P.M. saw a square rigged vessel to the westward standing to the S.W. At 2 A.M. saw a School of Porpoises. saw the same vessel at 10 A.M. about the same distance At 12 noon in Lat 21° 27' N Lon 25° 33' 45' West &c, &c.

Dec Thursday <sup>The</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Fine breezes from the S.E. East the ship standing S.W. At 5 A.M. judged ourselves on the Equator. Father Neptune came on board, & went through the process of shaving his children. At 6 saw a whale ship off the Lee beam standing S.W. nothing in sight looks like a whale. but very good looking ground. At 12 noon in Lat 00° 30' South Lon 27° 11' W so ends this 24 hours & all well &c &c



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Dec Friday <sup>the</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1846

Fine fresh Breeze, the ship heading S.W. At 4 P.M. the sail to the seaward set her Colours. went down to her, she proved to be the ship Desdemona, of New Bedford 48 days out 130 barrels sperm. Cap. Tabour. had a gun, till 6 P.M. At 6 A.M. in sight off the weather beam. 3 miles off, had a sail about a like At 10 heist the bonnet on the Sail At 12 noon in Lat 21 27 South Lon 27 29 15

Dec Sunday <sup>the</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1846

Fine weather & very clear, & light winds from the E.S.E. ship heading South, very good looking ground, but nothing in sight. At 4 P.M. heist the new Main top sail, & heist the old one. At 8 A.M. saw a sail to the Eastward running S.W. At 12 M. in Lat. by observation 5 48 South, Lon 29 37 West &c

Dec Monday <sup>the</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1846

Fine fair weather, & pleasant breeze, from E to E.S.E. ship running S.W. At 2 P.M. past a Barque running S.W. At 8 A.M. fixed the cutting Blocks & Stops. At 12 noon, in Lat by observation 5 36 South Longitude by Chron 29 29 45 West



Dec, Thursday <sup>the</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1846.

Fine weather for the last 3 days  
the wind coming from S.E. to E.S.E. & S.S.E.  
ship standing from S.E. to S.W. nothing  
of the whale kind has been seen, anyhow, saw  
a sail on Tuesday 22, ahead, but so far off  
could not make her out, most of the time  
been at work on the old sails, getting them  
ready to cruise with. At 12 Noon in Lat by  
obs. 13° 36' S, Lon 29° 47' 15" W, by Chr, by Lat. 29° 00'

Dec Friday <sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1846.

The whole of this 24 hours, light baffling  
winds from E to S.E. ship heading from S.E. to  
S.W. no kind of fish whatever, & very poor looking  
grounds, At 6 P.M. had a Ball for all hands, &  
had a first rate time of it, a dancing,, At 6 A.M.  
saw a large Barque standing to the S.W. emp-  
loyed as usual in ship's duty, Lat to day 15° 02' S.

Dec, Saturday <sup>the</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1846.

First part of this day, fresh Trades. &  
squally, with light rains, very poor looking ground  
At 4 P.M. took a lunar observation of the sun, &  
Moon. Lon by Lunar. 28° 15' W, Lat at noon 17° 02' S.

Dec, Sunday <sup>the</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846.

Fine pleasant Trade through the whole day,  
At 8 A.M. past a Scotch Barque, the Sultan of  
Dundee, At 12 Noon Lat 18° 55' S, Lon 27° 46' 45"



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Dec Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846.

Very fine, & pleasant, the whole of this 24 hours. & light breeze from the East to the ESE ship going from ESE to South At 8 A.M. sent a Barge standing to the Northward. At 12 M. in Lat  $20^{\circ} 39'$  S Lon  $28^{\circ} 05'$  <sup>45</sup>

Dec Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846.

Fine weather, the whole of this 24 hours. & light breeze, from the Eastward, most of the time, very good looking ground, saw some pieces of Squid & some Preecher, called them Jumpsers. At 4 P.M. sent & signalled an English Ship. At 12 Noon in Lat  $22^{\circ} 04'$  S Lon  $26^{\circ} 13'$  West, &c

Dec Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846.

First part of this 24 hours fine light breezes from the ESE. The ship heading SSE. The last part very fresh Trades, from E to ESE, & squally. At 10 A.M. took in fore & Main topgallant sail, & Gaff topail & Mizzen top stay sail. At 10 set topgallant & Gaff topail. At 12 noon in Lat by obs  $23^{\circ} 25'$  South, Lon  $26^{\circ} 13'$  West.

Dec Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup> sea account 1846.

This 24 hours very fresh gales from the Eastward. The ship standing SE. At 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Porpoises & struck one & lost him. At 12 Noon in Lat  $24^{\circ} 55'$  South, Lon  $23^{\circ} 26'$  West. so ends this 24 hours.



January Friday <sup>the</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Jan acct 1847

The whole of the first day of January fresh gales from the Eastward the ship standing S.E. nothing in sight, & very poor looking ground, not even a flying fish in sight At 12 M. in Lat 26° 06' South, Lon 21° 28' 45" West 0° 2'

January Saturday <sup>the</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Jan acct 1847

Fine pleasant, & clear weather, & light winds, from the Eastward, the ship standing South East. At 4 A.M. took the wind from the N. West. At 6 A.M. wind from the East again, nothing more worthy of remark, till 12 Noon, the Lat then was 26° 15' South Lon 19° 57' 45" West

Jan Sunday <sup>the</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Jan acct 1847

The whole of this 2d. hours very moderate, & fine, the wind most of the time from the Eastward At 4 P.M. saw a large school of Porpoises, & some Grampires. The ground looking very good. At 8 P.M. set the fore topmast standing sail, & kept the ship E.S.E. At 12 Noon Lat 26° 54' South, Lon 18° 46' 15" West 0° 0'

Jan Monday <sup>the</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Jan acct 1847

Very fine, weather & light breezes from the Westward, & very smooth, the ship running S.E. by E. nothing in sight, & ground looks very barren, hands employed usual At 12 M Lat 27° 28' South, Lon 16° 44' 45" West.



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Jan'y Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 3<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

The first half of this 24 hours. Light winds from the westward. The running S by E. And clear weather. The last part fresh gales from the Eastward. from 8 P.M. to 4 A.M. stormy. At 11 A.M. saw a school of sharp fin Black fish. Lowered & took one to the Harbour Boat. At 12 Noon in lat by obs 30° 53' South. Lon not ascertained so end 24

Jan'y Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>, sea acct 1847.

Fine pleasant weather. & light gales from the westward. The ship running South East by East. This day saw numbers of small sprouts, called them sharp fin Blackfish. Hands employed in mending old sails, & bending them. At 12 noon Lat & Lon not taken

Jan'y Thursday <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>, sea acct 1847

Very fine weather. smooth & very clear. The ship running S by E. with a light breeze from the Westward. At 4 P.M. saw a school of Porpoises. At 9 A.M. saw a school of small whales, & lowerd, they being galled we never saw them after we lowerd, came on board & took up the Boats & kept our course. At 12 Noon in lat by obs. 29° 41' South Lon 14° 09' West. so ends this day & all next hands employed as usual in mending sails &c.



Jan, y Friday <sup>the</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Jan see account 1846

All this 24 hours very light & baffling winds from the East North East, the ship running South East by East. At 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M. took in sail. & let her go easy, as the ground looks very good. At 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Fish, below but could not make them out, never see them but once, At 10 took a lunar observation one Degree to the west of the Chronometer At 12 Lat not ascertained.

Jan, y Saturday <sup>the</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Jan see account 1847

Fine pleasant weather & very light breezes from the Eastward, the ship running S by E. At 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M. took in sail. At 6 A.M. set sail & stood to the Eastward. At 9 A.M. saw a school of Finbacks bound to the North West. At 12 M. Lat 29 $^{\circ}$  22' South Lon not ascertained

Jan, y Sunday <sup>the</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Jan see account 1847

First part of this 24 hours, very light breezes from the Eastward, saw a shoal of Porpoises, & some Green Snappers, seems to be very lively ground. At sunset, took in sail & kept the ship S by E, At 10 P.M. took a fresh breeze from the N West. & kept the ship running all night. At 6 A.M. set whole M topsail & M & 2/3 gaffal main sail more wind. At 9 A.M. took a lunar observation. Lon 10 $^{\circ}$  25' 45" by Chronometer 11 $^{\circ}$  32' 15" west. At 12 Noon Lat was by obs. 30 $^{\circ}$  05' South



Jan'y Monday <sup>The</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

First part of this of 24 hours. very clear weather & light breeze from the westward. ship running South East by East At 6 P.M. took in sail. At 2 A.M. took a heavy breeze from the South East. At 8 A.M. set the Main sail & stood East. blowing fresh the last part of this 24 hours. & very cloudy. At 12 Noon in lat 29° 54' South. Lon. not ascertained.

Jan'y Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

The whole of this 24 hours fresh gales from the Eastward. & very rough. heavy swell from the South West. At 6 P.M. furled the Main sail. At 2 A.M. saw some kind of a whale spout. At 6 A.M. set short sail & stood East. till 12 M. but there was 2 South south Lon 7° 51' 15' West & C.

Jan'y Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

All this day fresh gales from the Eastward. At 2 P.M. tacked ship & stood South very heavy sea from the S.W. At 6 1/2 P.M. took in sail. At 6 A.M. set whole sail. Little more moderate. At 12 Noon Lat 30° 52' South. Lon. not ascertained, so ends Wednesday

Jan'y Thursday <sup>The</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

First part of this day fresh gales from the East. the ship going South. At 6 1/2 P.M. took in sail. At 6 1/2 A.M. set whole sail heading South. At 8 A.M. calm, & cloudy. This day no Lat. or Lon. employed as



Jan'y Friday <sup>the</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>. sea account 1847

All this at hours very moderate breezes from the Eastward. very good looking ground, now & then a Grampus, in sight. but nothing more. took in sail at sun set, & set it at sun rise. At 11 A.M. saw a school of some kind of sporting fish, but could not make them out. Look very much like Sperm whales, looked for them, but never see them after wards, give up the chase & came on board, Lat at noon 30° 21' S Lon 71° 29' 45'

Jan'y Sunday <sup>the</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>. sea account 1847

This last 2 days, very fine weather, the wind varying from E.S.E. to S.S.E. & quite moderate, westerly winds seems to be out of the question, gained about 25 miles the last week. heaving to at night, nothing in sight, the ground looks very barren all the time. This day at 12 Noon Lat 30° 38', South Lon not as

Jan'y Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>. sea account 1847

Very moderate & smooth, with light grizzling rains, very light baffling winds, from the south East trying all we can to get to the S.E. made 20 miles the last 2 days. saw some Grampuses, & a few sunfish, the ground looks very barren, very cloudy & squally. I should think we are about here, or somewhere else. Lat 30° 30' South, Lon 61° 38' 45' West. Scurrs employed as usual, in doing odd jobs, &c. &c.



January Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

All this 24 hours. very light breeze from the Eastward the ship steering South East by East this day plenty of Porpoises, & Grampuses, but no whales, very clear, Lat at noon 30° 29' South Lon not ascertained. &c

January Thursday <sup>the</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

First part of this 24 hours. very moderate breeze from the Eastward. At 8 AM took a light breeze from the N East, & kept the ship South East by East. The ground very lowly &c. At 12 Noon Lat 30° 26' South, Lon 61° 30' East. Last part fresh gales

January Friday <sup>the</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales from the North East, ship running S by East. At 25 minutes of 1 PM saw some Grampuses, breaching, At 4 PM saw a large Breach to the Southward never saw it but once. At night bore to usual, At 10 AM took the wind from the South At 12 Noon Lat 30° 10' South Lon 61° 45' W

January Saturday <sup>the</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

First part of this 24 hours fresh gales from the South, & squally, with light drizzling rain. ship heading East by South. At sunset took in sail. At 6 AM set sail & stood to the Eastward. At 12 PM took Lat 30° 30' South, Lon, 62° 05' West.



Friday Monday <sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine pleasant weather, & smooth with light-  
breezes from the Southward the ship standing  
to the South East. At 4 past 2 P.M. saw a  
school of whales off the weather bow bearing  
& blowing 4 miles off. Lower & gave chase At  
1 o'clock struck one to the waist Boat, &  
capsized her & parted the line & let 1 mile, the  
harbour Boat then went up, & the whale came  
up under her & gave her the Blukes, & cut her  
into 2 left her sunk. The capt. then went up &  
he made out to get fast & kill her. we then  
got the waist Boat & turned her over & picked  
up the drift stuff & went to the har-  
bour Boat & took them out of the water & near  
the whale & L.B. on board at 6 o'clock & 16. At  
4 o'clock looked on to the whale & cut her then  
took the spare B, & put her on the d. cranes  
& L.B. on the d. cranes. At 12 in lat & lon  
30 15 S. & 140 00 West. see end. This day & B.

Waist Boat bottom up,  
harbour Boat broke in two &  
chief Mate making a Dive  
harbour Boat towing Whales.  
Barque lying a back  
3' off & B. so end  
This day.



W.B.

L.B.

S.B.



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Jan'y Friday <sup>The</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Very fine weather, all of the week, & light breezes from the Eastward. At 6 P.M. got through stowing down. Made 30 barrels & 5 gallons. At 6 A.M. set sail & stood to the Southward, with light breeze from the Westward. At 12 noon, in Lat 30° 52' South, Lon

January <sup>The</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

Over since Friday, very clear & smooth, with very light breezes from the westward, saw some breeches, & some Porpoises since Friday but nothing more. To day at 12 noon Lat 32° 09' S, Lon 00° 16' 45" W

Feb Monday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

This day fresh gale from the westward the ship standing S.W. At 9 A.M. saw a Breech to the Westward. At 11 latched ship & stood to the southward, very rough & heavy swell from the south west. At 12 noon in Lat 32° 04' South, Lon 1° 08' 00" West & 0° 00'

Feb Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale from the westward, & clear, the ship standing S.W. very heavy swell running from the Southward. saw some pieces of Rock weed, but nothing else, the Ground looks very barren, Sanks engaged as usual. At 12 noon Lat 32° 22' South Lon 1° 05' West by Chronometer



Feb, Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> the sea account 1847

All this day very fresh gale from the westward, the ship standing off & on under short sail, very heavy swell from the south West. At 10 A.M. saw some spouts but could not make them out. At 12 Noon in lat 32° 25' South Long 119° 45' West.

Feb. Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> the sea account 1847

Pleasant gale from the Northward, & clear, the ship running West, very fine ground & lively, saw a number of Preeches & porpoises. At 12 Noon saw the Barque Martin of & from Provincetown 18 mms out 320 Barrels of sperm oil, had a gam, Lat 31° 53' S Long, 119° 45' West.

Feb. Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> the sea account 1847

Pleasant gale from the North East the ship standing N.W. At 5 o'clock P.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales, to the East. Lower & gave chase, At 6 came up with them, chief Mate went on. The Boat steerer not being strong enough, never got his harpoon in to the whale. At Dark came on board, called all hands & took a man out, for a Boat steerer, the one we had, voluntarily, gave up his berth. At 10 A.M. saw Preeches to the Westward At 11 took our Lunar obs Chronometer 26 miles East of the ship. Lat 21° 19' 45" West At 12 Noon Lat 31° 37' S



Feb, <sup>2</sup> Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh breezes from the North East the ship standing East. Heavy swell running from the N.E. At 2 P.M. saw another school of Sperm Whales. Lowered when 2 miles off. & gave chase, the whales went down before we got to them. Before they came up, a heavy squall came on from the North. & was obliged to go aboard, & take up the boats & leave two, never saw the whales afterwards. Large whale among the

At 12 Midnight wore ship to the Eastward blowing heavy & very rough & rainy. At 12 Lat Noon not ascertained Long. do. so error

Feb, Thursday <sup>the</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Heavy gales from the South ship lying to under double reef to sail. Heaving & pitching very heavy sea & running, saw some Breaches to the Westward, could not make it out. At 12 Noon Lat 37° 28' South Lon 202° 45' West.

Feb, Sunday <sup>the</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847.

Fine gales from the Eastward, the ship standing Southward, under double reef to sail. At 1 P.M. saw a school of Sperm whale & lower, had a chance on; but the crew got their oars cramp'd, & spoil'd the whole, so we got our labour for our pains. & stood on in chase, & got on board at 3 P.M.



Put sail on the ship & stood to the N<sup>E</sup>  
 At 5 P.M. row them again down, after a  
 while made out to get on, in the waist Boat.  
 the caps then, struck home, At 8 got on  
 board with the M.B. At 12 night got on  
 board with the S.B., At 4 A.M. commenced get-  
 ting in, At 12 Noon got them in Lat  
 to day, not ascertained, Lon 2.50.15 West, 2<sup>d</sup>



Feb Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales from the Southward, the  
 ship standing S.E. At 4 P.M. got through  
 with Boiling, out. At 12 in lat Lon 2<sup>o</sup>

Feb Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847


Fresh Breezes from the South East,  
 the ship standing E by N. At 4 P.M. got thro-  
 gh with stowing down, the whales made  
 50 Barrels. At 5 A.M. set sail & stood to  
 the Eastward, & broke out the after hold,  
 for flour, At 12 M. in Lat 3.11.07 S  
 Lon 3.00.00 West



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Feb. Friday <sup>The</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

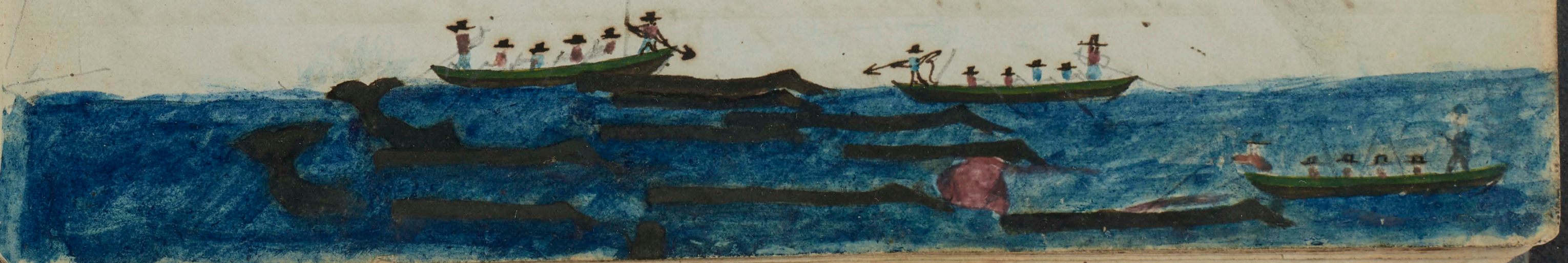
Fresh gales from the Southward, & quite rough. At 5 A.M. saw a school of Sperm Whales, round the vessel before light called all hands & lowered the Boats. The whales were galloped, & it being rough, & blowing fresh, we could not get hold of them. came



on board, & made sail & stood on to the Southward, in hopes of falling in with them. At 9 A.M. saw a Breech right ahead, some very large whales in the school. At 12 M in Lat 31° 10' South, Lon 121° 00' 00' West. V.C.

Feb. Saturday <sup>The</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales from the South East, ship standing Southward, At 1/2 past 12 P.M. tacked ship & stood North for a Breech. At 2 P.M. came up with it. Proved to be a school of Sperm Whales, & Breech. The whales appeared to be very shy, after trying a number of times made out to get on in the P.M. The last Breech was stove by a whale running into them with her head. At 6 P.M. took the whale a long side. At 1 A.M. hooked on & cut him in. At 12 Lat 30° 45' South. Lon 114° 5' 45' West





Feb Sunday <sup>the</sup> 24. 81 sea account 1847

Pleasant gale from the Eastward, but quite rough. At 2 P.M. wore ship & stood to the Southward, & took down the full & cut up the junk & ease. At 8 set the works going, & boils 12 hours, before we got the kettle full. At 12 Noon Lat 31.24 S Lon not ascertained.

Feb Monday <sup>the</sup> 22 a sea account 1847

This day, very moderate & clear, light winds from the Eastward. At 8 A.M. got through Boiling. At 12 Noon Lat 31.31 S Lon 41.31.45 West.

Feb Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 23 a sea account, 1847

Fresh breeze from the Eastward. The ship standing Southward, under short sail. At sunset, took in sail. At 8 A.M. stowed down the oil made 27 Barrels. At 12 Noon washed off. Lat & Lon not ascertained.

Feb Friday <sup>the</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale, from the last 3 days from the Eastward, & Southward. saw 14 numbers of Preeches. Thursday called them Grampus es. very good looking Grampus & quite lively. At 10 wore ship to the Northward. At 12 Noon in Lat 31.11 South Lon 31.18 West. V S V C V C



March Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

Moderate gales from the southward & Pleasant. This day plenty of Porpoises in sight, got one to have a fresh Mess. ground looks very good for Whales, seen in this 24 hours. Hands employed in ship, duty, fitting rigging making Terebs. & mending Boat &c. Lat 41° 42' 31.03 S Lon 142° 30.00 West

March Thursday <sup>the</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine pleasant weather, & smooth, with light breeze from the North, ship running South. The ground looks very good for Whales. Plenty of Birds & squid & Grampus, got up a new topsail & cut off the head of 2 masts it being that much too high on the mast At 12 Noon in Lat 31° 10' S Lon 140° 10' 30 West &c

March Sunday <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine Moderate weather, & smooth, with light breeze from the Northward ship standing S.W. hands employed in mending old sails. ground looks very good, & quite lively, with Grampus, sharks, & other fish. continues pleasant since the forth. At 12 Noon in Lat, 30° 34' South.

March Monday <sup>the</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Weather very fine & smooth, & very light winds from the N.W. ship heading S.W. water very thick & plenty of Grampus. At 5½ AM got sail & stood S.E. more grampus. At 12 noon, Lat 30° 44' S Lon 25 miles West



March Thursday <sup>the</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

This last 3 days fresh gales from the South East. The ship running North in day time, & taking in sail at night, nothing of any note excepting mending old sails, saw some Grampuses, & some puffers. The ground has been very good looking for Whales, but saw none. Lon to day,  $00^{\circ} 16' 30''$  West yesterday it was 25 miles East. Lat  $21^{\circ} 36'$  South.

March Friday <sup>the</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

All this 24 hours, fresh gales from the South East, & cloudy weather. Ship running North judge our selves in the South East Trades, At 12, Lat & Lon not ascertained, seen

March Sunday <sup>the</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Pleasant gales from the S.E. now & then a light shower of rain, ship running North by East. At 5 P.M. saw a sail to the Westward. At night took in sail as usual. At 12 Noon in Lat  $22^{\circ} 53'$  South Lon  $3^{\circ} 04' 00''$  West

March Thursday <sup>the</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

From Sunday till to day Weather very fine, smooth, & moderate, Tuesday & Wednesday calm most of the time. employed the week so far in mending old sails, caught a few fish & saw a number of Grampuses, & some porpoises but got none. Lat to day  $20^{\circ} 19'$  South Lon,  $3^{\circ} 25' 30''$  West, so ends this day, &c



March Saturday <sup>The</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

Fresh Breeze from the S.E. The ground today looks very good, & lively, plenty of Porpoises, flying fish, & flying squid. At 6 A.M. set a shoe sail, & kept the ship North West till 11 past then hauled up North North East. saw a small Breech. Lat today was by observation 20° 05' S Lon 31° 20' 45" West.

March Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> sea acct 1847

Pleasant gale from the South East the ship running N.E. this day, saw 3 vessels, first that we have seen for 40 days to say, took a number of Lunar observations, made the ship out to be to the westward Eastward of the observations, saw a large Breech to the North West. put a steam ship bound South, unbent the Main-sail to mend, Lat today 18° 02' South Lon 41° 44' 30" West. seems this day.

March Friday <sup>The</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Pleasant gale from the South East, ship running North West. At 2 P.M. saw a large ship to the S. at 4 P.M. saw the island of St. Helena bearing N.W. Dist 30 miles At 7 P.M. took a Lunar obs. Lunar 30 miles west of Chronomet. At 1/2 past 7 spoke & went on board the above ship, & got some vegetables. prove to be the ship Egincourt of London from Calcutta. 200 passengers, & irregular soldiers returning home, Lon 51° 32' 30" Lat not ascertained



March Sunday <sup>The</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

Fine, clear, & pleasant weather, & light breezes from the South East. The ship working up to the windward of the island it still being in sight. saw a number of sails running in. Towards the island this day in Lat 16° 30' South. Lon 5° 44' 30' West. &c.

March Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

All this 24 hours very fine pleasant weather with very light breezes from the South East. The ship returning South. At 3 P.M. left sight of St. Helena, beating up to the windward, night & day, saw a plenty of Porpoises, Grampuses, squid, & squid. Sparrow, few birds. At 12 Lat 18° 02' S Lon 5° 15' 15' West

March Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> sea, acct 1847

All this 24 hours very fine & clear, & very smooth. winds varying from S E to S S E. At 4 A.M. took a ship & stood to the N.E. to day saw a few small Porcees to South & a whale which spouted 4 times & called it a Fin Back. At 12 noon in Lat. by observation, was 18° 02' South, Lon by chronometer 5° 57' 15' West.



April, Thursday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> - sea account 1847

This day is April fool day. & we carry it to perfection, among all hands. both fore & aft At 2 P.M., saw a sail, to the Northward running in for the island saw a few schools of Porpoises, and a few Grampuses. Lon at 9 A.M., was Lat 27.46 West.

April Saturday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> - sea account 1847

Fresh Trades from South South East ship standing South West. At 10 A.M. saw a large Breech to the South 8 miles off - could not tell what it was, so we gave it up. Lat at 12 noon 17.02, South Lon Lat 17.45

April Sunday <sup>The</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> - sea account 1847.

Fresh Trades from S.E. to S.S.E. ship standing to the South West. This day saw nothing but a few Porpoises. At 6 P.M. took in sail & wore ship to the Eastward. At 12 wore ship to the S.W. again At 7 A.M. set sail. At 9 Lon Lat 23 West.

April Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> - sea account 1847

Pleasant Trades from South East to South South East. At 2 P.M. joined with the Brig Franklin of Provincetown. Capt. Wilson. 6 months out 80 Barrels Spermaceti oil. At 10 P.M. wore ship & stood to Eastward in company, at 12 noon Lat 19.18 S Lon Lat 31.45 West



April, Thursday <sup>The</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh Breeze, from South East to South South, East, Ground looks very barren saw one shoal of Porpoises, bound to the southward. at 12 A.M. saw a Bar-ky running for St. Helena, 12 Noon tacked ship to the South. Lat 18° 26' S, Lon 31° 43' 15" W

April Saturday <sup>The</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1847

Strong Breeze, mostly from S.E. by E ship standing East by North. At 6 P.M. tacked ship to the South. & single reefed the topsails. At 10 A.M. tacked ship to the Eastward. at 11 wind varied more to the Eastward. tacked ship to the southward again. Lon at 10, A.M. 31° 58' 45" West. Lat 20° 07' S

April Sunday <sup>The</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea, account. 1847

Heavy squalls to day, with light rains. At 3 P.M. doubled reefed the fore & main, topsails, ship heading South by West. At 10 P.M. tacked ship to the Eastward very squally all night. Lat at 12 Noon not ascertained Lon Ditto.

Monday <sup>The</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1847, sea acct.

Heavy squalls, for the whole 24 hours. the ship heading East by North, very heavy sea running. At 6 P.M. closed reefed the topsails. At 12 Lat 19° 50' S Lon 31° 50' 45" West



April Thursday <sup>The</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

This 24 hours, rather more moderate, but continues squally, with light winds, occasionally ships standing East by North, shook out the lower reefs, & set sail according to the breeze. At 12 Noon Lat 17° 55' S Lon 123° West.

April Friday <sup>The</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> sea account.

1847

Fresh gales all this 24 hours, ship heading East North East, at 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> P.M. sighted the Russian Ship J. da Williams running West North West. her Lon was 2° 15' West, 2° 00' West. at 12 Noon, 17° 20' South. &c. &c.

April Sunday <sup>The</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Fresh gales from S.E. to S.W. the ship standing North East. ground looks as though there never was a whale seen here, any how. Lat to day 17° 45' South Lon not ascertained

April Friday <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> sea account

1847

Frequent squalls of wind & rain but none very heavy, nothing more than double reef topsails. breeze for the last week, nothing to be seen, but sky & water. no kind of fish but a few Bonetoes, the ground looks though there never was a whale here, nor never would be. Lat 15° 35' S Lon 118° West.



April Sunday <sup>the</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Pleasant Gale from S.E., & very smooth  
to day, pass through a number of Bird reefs  
some birds. Likewise a Grampus. ship stand-  
ing East North East. to 10. to day took an  
Altitude for true Azimuth, Variation 2  
Points Westerly. set up the jib boom rig-  
ging. To carry sail being bound for Saint Thomas  
Coast of Africa. At 10. & 11 A.M. took double  
Altitudes to determine the latitude, which was  
13.13 S at 12 Noon lat by obs was 13.12. S  
Ship running East by North 5 miles per hour  
Lon 00.05.00 West & C. forth

April Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Very light Trades from the South by East.  
The ship standing East by North. At 10 A.M.  
saw a shoal of Porpoises. at 2 P.M. come  
in to a quantity of Bait; looked very  
much like corn cobs, very thick, all round  
the vessel. water very fine. At 10 A.M. kept the  
ship off North East by East. At 12 Noon.  
Lat by obs. 10.51 South Lon 2.41. E & 00

April Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Very fine, & light breezes from the South  
ship running North East by East. This day  
broke out Cask of Bread, saw a fair buck.  
Lat by observation of the Moors Meridian Alt.  
at 6. & 30 m 8.22 S Lon at 8. & 11. 1.33 East  
Lat at 12 M. 8.05 South. spends this day all well



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May Saturday <sup>The</sup> 1st sea account

1847

Pleasant Gale from Southward, ship  
running North East by East. To day, the  
water looks poor, plenty of Sperm. at 7 P.M.  
A school of Porpoises come around the vessel  
& got 2, at 8 came round again. & 4, very large  
ones. saw them again at 2 & 3 A.M. Set by the  
Moon. 5<sup>h</sup> 23 S Lat 1 A.M. Lon at 8 A.M. 5<sup>h</sup> 03  
West Lat. at 12 Noon 4<sup>h</sup> 58, South so ends this day

May Sunday <sup>The</sup> 2d sea account

1847

Fine breezes from South, pleasant & clear  
ship running N East by East. at 1 P.M.  
kept the ship off North by East. at 8 P.M. got  
a Porpoise. water to day looks very light, & quite  
thick. Lat at 1 A.M. by the Moon at 2<sup>h</sup> 32<sup>h</sup> 25 S  
at 8 A.M. Lon 5<sup>h</sup> 11 East Lat at Noon 3<sup>h</sup> 25 S

May Monday <sup>The</sup> 3d sea account

1847

Light breezes from the Southward.  
The ship running North by East. At  
2 A.M. Lat by Moon 2<sup>h</sup> 23 S the day  
broke out a bark of Sperm. Lon at 8 A.M. 5<sup>h</sup> 39 E  
Lat at 12 Noon 2<sup>h</sup> 05 South so ends this day.

May Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 4th sea account

1847

Pleasant gale & very light from the S.S.W. the  
ship running N.E. at 1 P.M. saw the Island  
of Annabona. bearing N.E. 40 miles. saw a  
school of Porpoises & Spin Blackfish. At 8 A.M.  
Lon 6<sup>h</sup> 02<sup>h</sup> 30 E. Lat at 12 M. 1 South N.E.



May Wednesday <sup>The</sup> sea account

1847

Fine breeze from S.W. ship running N.E. by E. at 10 P.M. hove to for the sun. at 6 A.M. set all sail & kept the ship N.E. very squally with light showers of rain. At 2 Noon Lat & Lon not ascertained. so ended this day with rain

May Thursday <sup>The</sup> sea account

1847

This day began with a very heavy squall, of wind & rain from the North West. took us all aback. took in M. topgallant & main sail & Spanker, & fore sail clewed down & clewed up the fore & main top sails & let her run to the South. at 2 noon set close reef topsails & fore sail. I saw the land about the same time. at 4 P.M. quite clear at 8 P.M. set double reef topsails, & main sail & Spanker, & worked to the S.E. the wind shifting to the S.W. at 6 A.M. set all sails & stood in for the land at 8 A.M. at 11 took a better observation & a light breeze from the S.W. at 12 Noon Lat 27 miles North Lon 60. 35 East. so ended this day & all well. &c &c &c

May Friday <sup>The</sup> sea account

1847

Pleasant breezes from the S.W. ship standing in for the land. At 1 P.M. spoke the Ship Madaga of N.E. bound to New York, from the Coast of Africa. I was out loaded with Missionaries & Monkeys. At 6 P.M. took in sail & hove to till noon at 5 A.M. set all sail for land. at 10 got 3 Porpoises & came



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we lowered for Black Fish, & could not  
get any. At 12 Noon took the sea breeze & steered  
East by North for Man of War Bay, so ends this  
day, & all well.

May Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847  
This day hawking for birds, from all points  
of the Compass. At 10 A.M. came to anchor  
in Man of War Bay, & commenced  
beating out East for water at 12 Noon  
in Lat 27 miles North Lon 64.5 East.

May Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847  
First part of this day employed in rafting  
off water. Last part in doing nothing but  
going ashore to walk round, & see the  
Darkies. At 12 Lat 27 mile North Lon 64.5 East.

May Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

First part this day doing nothing, last part  
in cutting wood & rafting off water. &  
buying Game Bananas Plantains Coconuts  
Pigs, Goats & Poultry, which may be  
had very cheap, for Cloth as old clothes money  
is no use. so ends this 2<sup>d</sup> hour & all well.

May Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> 1847

Ship day the Harbour Watch went on  
Liberty for 36 hours. The Harbour watch, pointed  
Ship & traded for Produce. At 12 Noon took a  
heavy squall of wind & rain from N.E. so ends today.



May Saturday <sup>the</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> sea account

At 12 P.M. Let go the best low Anchor, it blew  
ing heavy from N.E. at 4 P.M. Starboard watch  
came on board with one of the men that went  
on shore Thursday, him, & the Cook having left  
the ship with their clothes, but got sick of  
their bargain. so ends this day of 12 hours

May Sunday <sup>the</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Civil account.

Fine weather & moderate baffling winds. The  
Starboard watch went on liberty at 5 A.M.  
at 10 A.M. the capt & wife went on shore on shell  
ing at 4 P.M. went on shore for a cask of  
water. so ends this day of <sup>12 H</sup> all well. &c

May Monday <sup>the</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1847

This day best the new fore top. My fore & Star  
at 4 P.M. the Starboard watch came on  
board, with a man in the room of the Cook  
got under weigh & stood for sea, at 12 Noon  
we had 29 miles N. S. ends a day of 26 Hs.

May, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 20<sup>th</sup> 1847

Pleasant & clear, ship lying up N. S. West.  
Thursday saw & lowered for a school of Blackfish  
but got none, nothing more worth noticing.  
These 3 days Lat. & Lon not ascertained  
Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> wind headed us off west.  
Saturday the 22<sup>d</sup> ship come up South West  
with a fresh breeze saw a sail standing to the  
North East, so ends this day, & 3 men sick.



May Sunday <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

All this 24 hours fine breeze & very clear  
the ship heading up South West at Noon  
Lat 23° 33' South Lon 21° 23' 15" West so ends this day

May Monday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847  
Fresh gales from South East. ship heading  
South West at 6 P.M. lowered the Main top  
gallant sail to pieces. & took in the Gaff top sail  
it being very equally. at 12 Noon in Lat 44° 43'  
Lon 6° 45' 15" West more men very sick to day.

May Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847  
First part of this day moderate. with a very  
heavy sea & running. last part fresh breezes  
ship heading South by west at 9 A.M. set the  
Gaff top sail. At 12 Noon Lat 51° 12' Lon 8° 45' 30"

May Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847  
Fresh breezes all of this 24 hours. ship heading  
South West. this day 3 men sick with different  
Decays. at 12 in Lat 7° 12' Lon 6° 30' 15" West.

May Thursday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea account.

1847  
All this day fresh gales from S.E. ship  
heading South West by South. At 1 P.M. sent down  
the fragments of M. top gallant sail & mended it. at  
4 unhooked the chains & stowed them at 9 A.M. bent  
M. top gallant sail at 12 Lat 8° 19' South Lon 7° 11' 15" West.



May Friday <sup>The</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Fresh gales the whole 24 hrs. ship heading South West & very rough. at 7 P.M. took in topgallant sail & gaff topsail. to day 2 more men taken sick, making the number 7 sick at one time. 3 Boat-steerers & 4 before the mast at 4 A.M. double reefed the topsails. Lat at 12 Noon 9° 20' South Lon 71° 40' 15" West.

May Saturday <sup>The</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account.

1847

Fresh gales & very rough. wind from E.S.E. ship heading South South West. at 8 P.M. took in single reef topsail. at 7 A.M. heaved down. This day the men rather worse to day. at 12 Noon Lat 11° 36' some

May Sunday <sup>The</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> sea account

1847

Fresh gales the whole 24 hours. The ship heading S.W. This day the men worse than ever. They all seem to be taken with one disease. a violent pain in the head & limbs. Lat to day 12° 36' Lon not

May Monday <sup>The</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> sea account

1847

This day ship hoove too under double reef topsail & no left to look out. 2 more men taken sick. making the number 9 all by about the same. one man a Portuguese very sick at 12 Lat 13° 52' S Lon 91° 31' 15" West.



June Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh Trades, & very squally, with heavy rains occasionally. The ship heading up South, a very heavy sea running. The men to day rather better. killed a Pig to make soup for the sick. so ends this day. were

June Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847.

Continues very fresh the whole of this 2<sup>d</sup> four. is still a heavy sea a running the ship lying up South by East most of the time. To day the sick much worse some of them eat some soup, salted in be known to the Captain which brought on a very heavy Fever. Their mouths seems to be all parched up for water. some their lips split & some lost their tongue split head ache very bad most of the time & delirious. nose bleeding at intervals Sat at 12 16 & 33  
Sun not ascertained

June Friday <sup>the</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh Trades nearly the whole day, & very squally, with frequent showers of rain. rained every day, since the Moon Full at 11 P. Mr. Joseph Silver, Portuguese Seaman, departed this life, with the Yellow Jaundice. took him on deck, & smoked the cabin out. at 11 A.M. hoisted the Main top sail to the mast & called those there were well, to bury the Dead. at 12 filled away, Sat to day 19° 30' South.



June Saturday <sup>the</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Breeze gale the whole 24 hours. & squally with frequent showers of rain. at 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> P.M. Thomas Johnson Seaman of Liverpool England departed this life with the Typhus Fever, consulted the remaining part of the crew. & concluded to bury him he smelling very bad, sewed him up & hauled aboard & buried him. at 12 Noon Lat 21<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Lon 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 09<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> W

June Sunday <sup>the</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Squally, weather, & very rough. the ship standing South at 7 P.M. Thomas Francis Louise was dying, having lain 10 hours insensible, the fever raging very bad, was brought too by pouring cold water down his throat at 6 A.M. came too. at 9 A.M. killed a she goat for the sick. at 10 tacked ship to the East. at 12 Noon 22<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 15 South Lon not ascertained

June Monday <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Squally most of the whole 24 hours, with light showers of rain. the ship heading up North East by East, & North East, at 15 minutes of 12 midnight Francis Louise, Portuguese Boat-steerer, departed this life with Typhus Fever, at 9 A.M. read the Burial rites & committed his spirit to him who gave it & his body to the deep. Lat at 12 Noon 21<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 18 Lon at 1 P.M. 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 56 West. & South Lat



June Tuesday <sup>the 8<sup>th</sup></sup> sea account. 1847

Fine weather, & pleasant, but rather rough, ship heading North East. at 5 P.M. took ship & stood to the South. this day the remaining sick ones rather better. at 12 Noon Lat 22° 10' S  
Lon 91° 38' 15" West &c.

June Wednesday <sup>the 9<sup>th</sup></sup> sea acct. 1847

First part of this day very moderate & smooth wind from Eastward. Last part fresh breeze from the North ship heading East. set abt 3/4 gaff-tail & gaff-top-sail  
Lat at noon 22° 38' S Lon 91° 18' 15" West

June Thursday <sup>the 10<sup>th</sup></sup> sea account 1847

This day, fresh gale from the North. ship running East. very squally with light showers of rain, at 1 P.M. took the wind from North West set whole sails, Henry Townsend Boat-steerer very sick has not spoke for 24 hours. & forward rather better. at 12 noon Lat 22° 15' S  
Lon 84° 43' West

Friday June <sup>the 11<sup>th</sup></sup> sea account 1847

Fresh breeze & shifting, & very squally with rain. at 2 P.M. took the wind from South west & kept the ship East by North. at 4 P.M. took the wind from S.W. at 12 Lat 20° 50' S  
Lon 81° 45' West. sick rather more eased to day. so ends this twenty four hours. &



Saturday June <sup>The</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale the whole day, from South East-  
ship running North East. The gale to day  
by about the same. at 4 AM kept the ship  
North North East. at 12 noon Lat 18° 29' South  
Lon 41° 12' 15" West. so ends.

Sunday June <sup>The</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale most of the whole day & hours &  
a heavy sea running, at 4 PM kept the  
ship North North West, at 8 AM saw the  
Isle of St. Helena, bearing N N W Dist  
25 Miles saw a ship running in for the island  
at 12 noon Lat 16° 30' S Lon 41° 16' 30" West, so ends

June Monday <sup>The</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale the whole day, & very squally,  
with light rains, & heavy sea. at 5 PM  
were ship & stood of shore. it being too late to go in  
to port. at 2 AM were ship & stood in, at 5 AM  
set whole sail & kept the ship off for port  
at 11 came to anchor in the Harbour in  
St. Helena, so ends this day.

June Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gale & squally with very heavy rain  
at 8 PM, got under weigh & sailed from  
St. Helena, & steered North, with 18 men  
short of full crew, bound for Ascension Isle  
at 8 AM unhooked the chains & stowed the Anchors  
at 12 in Lat 14° 18' S Lon not ascertained & C.



June Sunday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Pleasant gales, & smooth ship running Nor<sup>th</sup> West. The whole of this week, saw a large number of Finbacks. At 6 P.M. took in sail & Throve to heading South South West. at 8 A.M. Lanced a Finback from off the Martin gale at 12 noon Lat 10.30 South Lon not ascertained

July Thursday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

Pleasant gales, & quite smooth ship running North, saw a plenty of Spouts called them Finbacks. at 7 P.M. spoke the Barque Samuel Thomas of Provincetown 9 months out 200 Barrels Sperm. oil, gained till 10 P.M. they went off. at 8.30 Lat 9.30 West. at 8.5 kept the ship off N.W. by N in company with above Barque. for Ascension Isle. at 12 Noon in Lat. 9.09 South Lon 13.00 West.


Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> sea account 1847

Fine weather, & pleasant breezes. at 1 P.M. saw the island of Ascension bearing North West. Distance 45 miles. at 6 P.M. saw a whale blow 18 times. called it a sperm whale so right, right never saw him when he came up. Took in gulf as usual. at 12 Noon Lat 8.22 South Lon 14.16 West by Chronometer by Lunar taken at 10 A.M. 15.16. Differing 10 minutes from Chronometer.



Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine pleasant weather. breeze light & water smooth. This forenoon saw the Barges Samuel & Thomas. & Theophilus Chase. standing low to the west. at night took in sail, & had a spree. to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup>. at 8 AM saw a school of large sperm whales. going very quick. to the windward, breeze rising & blowing. at 12 lat by observation 8.41 South. Lon not ascert.



FIN BACKS

Fin backs.

Thursday July 8<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Good weather & smooth. & Plenty of whales seen, but they happen to be Fin backs. saw a Bark running North by East, water quite thick, & plenty of Birds. Lat at 12 9.11 South Lon 14.13 West.

Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine weather, & smooth, plenty of birds, Fin backs, Porpoises, & dolphins. Lost 10 miles the last 24 hours. saw 4 sail of merchant ships. running for Ascension Isle Lat & Lon not ascertained, the last part of the day being rather squally with light rains the first we've had since we came here.

Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847. Fresh gale ship lying S.W. very squally with frequent rains at 6 AM got Lib & spunkies. to keep to the windward at 12 took them in for a squall. Lat 9.5 S & Lon 14.21.30 West.



Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup> <sup>The</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales the whole of this week & very heavy sea most of the time, ship standing East & westward, carrying the Main sail every night, saw Finbacks every day, sometimes more & sometimes less, saw cod fish once, & Porpoise once saw a ship to the windward to day, at 7 P.M. she bore to & set a light in answer to ours, called her a whaler. at 12 Lat-9.38 S. Long not ascertained

July Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> <sup>The</sup> sea account 1847

Pleasant Gale & very clear & smooth, The ground looks very barren, nothing to be seen but Finbacks, at 2 P.M. saw the Barque Samuel & Blossmer, of P. town, 200 Sperm & Phyophilus Chase 15 Mos out 230 Sperm. guarded them till 10 P.M., at 12 Noon in Lat-9.46 S Long 13.00 west so comes this day & c.

July Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> <sup>The</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales, & very rough, with frequent squalls of rain, The ground, to day looks quite lively, with fish, birds, porpoise, & sharp Fin blackfish, at 5 P.M. spoke the ship Barque Champion, 6 mos out 30 barrels Sperm & oil, at 12 Lat-not ascertained

August Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> <sup>The</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales, & a very heavy sea a running ship steering South West at 1 P.M. Antoine, a Portuguese seaman fell from the fore topgallant yard, down on Deck, cut his head, some & wrenched his feet, having struck feet first, but broke no ribs or bones. Lat-10 S Long 15.14 W



August Saturday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>, sea account 1847

Fresh gales the whole time & very rough  
To day saw a ship, running for the island.  
Saw a school of Black Fish, bounding to the  
windward first we have seen since we came  
here. Likewise saw two schools of Porpoises  
going South East, & South West. at 8 AM  
unbent the main topsail & bent a new one  
plenty of Fin backs yet; Lat <sup>51.12</sup> 8.52 Lon 14.38.15

August Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> the sea account 1847

Fresh gales, & very rough, & squally with  
frequent showers of rain, carrying sail  
most of the time to hold our own.  
at 2 P.M. unbent the old fore topsail &  
bent a better one. saw a school of Black  
Fish, to day but so rough could not  
lower, at 12 Lon 15.10.30 West Lat.

August Saturday <sup>The</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>, civil account 1847

Pleasant weather & light breeze, ship  
standing in towards the Land. at 10 AM  
saw, & spoke the Brig frigate of Westport  
Captain Cudworth 12 mts out 350 Bar  
rels of sperm oil, & had a gun till 10  
P.M. at 4 P.M. lost a man overboard.  
Lowered the Starboard Board & got him, at 4.20  
tacked ship & stood off shore. so ends this  
day, &c. Latitude & Longitude as before  
with.



August Saturday <sup>The</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales the whole of this week, & very rough & squally with frequent showers of rain. Ship has been under double & closed reef topsails the whole time. stood south west from the island till Thursday. Then tacked & stood in for the island again, saw nothing for the last week but a few Pin backs. neither Porpoises Grampuses. or Blackfish nor nothing else. Lat today 10° 37' Lon

August Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh breezes all the time, & squally with rain at 1 P.M. Tacked ship & stood to the south west, nothing been seen since Saturday but a few Pinbacks. fetched in 25 miles to the <sup>west</sup> Leeward of the island. Lat Lon 15° 26' 15"

August Sunday <sup>The</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh gales since Wednesday, 25. ship running South west for the Birnie Banks. Tacking in sail every night. have seen one shoal of Black Fish. & a few Pin backs. Lat today 14° 53' Lon 17° 45' 14"

September Thursday <sup>The</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> sea account 1847

Fresh breezes, & squally with frequent showers of rain the ship running North west. At night took in sail & hove to at 6 P.M. kept the ship off cloth still squally with a very severe gale running at 12 Noon in Lat 13° 57' South Lon 21° 21' 15" West &c.



September Sunday <sup>The</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Very fine & pleasant, & very smooth & clear.  
 ship running North under whole sail in day  
 time & short sail at night. saw a few Finbacks  
 since Thursday, but nothing more. at 11 P.M. got  
 the ship a back. running North, wind South East  
 owing to the helmsman getting a sleep. at 12 ~~Lat~~  
9.45 Lon not ascertained

September. Friday <sup>The</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1847

Fine pleasant weather, & clear most of the time  
 ship running North by East. to day, changed  
 the Foretop sail. & middle sticher of the Gib. saw  
 a number of pieces of Squid. Fin back & a Gramp  
 saw two Ships standing to the Southward  
 & two shovel nose Sharks. Lat, 2.27 South. Lon 23.48.30

September, Saturday <sup>The</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine pleasant weather, & clear, the ship run-  
 ning North North East. at 9 P.M. saw a Brig  
 standing South West came near running in-  
 to us. at 7 A.M. saw, & lowered for a school of Blu  
 k. Fish, wild as the Devil could not get fast.  
Lat at 12 Noon, 1.26 South. Lon 23.03.45 West.

September Friday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1847

Fine weather & smooth. to day saw swarms  
 of Picees, could not tell what they were, &  
 saw a number of abacores around the ship  
 but could catch none and rain since the 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Lat at 12 M. 1.54 Lon 26.46.30 West



## Cruising Near The Equator

September Saturday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine weather & clear, wind from South East to South South East. no rain, & quite moderate. no whales. nor Blackfish, nor Porpoises.  
Lat to day 4. 50 North Lon 27. 30. 15 W

September Monday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine light winds. & no rain. but quite a heavy swell, heaving from the South. The Ground still looks barren. of every thing except Flying Fish, & squid, of which we have a good assortment - to wit - squid from six to 18 inches long. Lat to day 4. 29 North Lon 29. 09 West

September Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine breezes, & clear, no rain, & very smooth. to day saw a few small Breeches pulled them Porpoises, The Ground as barren as ever. Lat 5. 12 North Lon 29. 25. 30 West

September Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

to day a little rain

This day fine weather, smooth, & very clear. to day likewise we have had the Colours flying all day, for Capt Smith, who came into the world, 35 years ago, to day, called all hands, & drank his health in a snifter of Gin. Lat 6. 19 North Lon 27. 33. 30 West



# The Cruise Continued

Thursday Sept 30<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Moderate weather & raining all day with baffling winds. To day saw a shoal of Porpoises the first we have seen since we have been here. sends this day Lat & Lon not ascertained

October Friday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea account 1847

First part of this day moderate weather but Cloudy. Last part fresh Trades from South East to South South East, & no rain. plenty of Albacores around the ship.

October Saturday <sup>The</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847. <sup>no Lat & Lon</sup>

Fine breezes from the westward, & smooth & clear. The ship running to the Eastward. This day saw some sharp Fin Blackfish & 2 Ships running West North West. Lat to day, was 6. 36 North Lon 25. 32. 30 West.

October Sunday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> sea account 1847

Moderate weather & frequent rains, & shifting winds. at 9 A.M. took a bathing excursion the first we have had since we left the island of St Thomas. coast of Africa  
Lat & Lon not ascertained to day.



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October Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

First part of this 24 hours. very rainy & squally. The ship running North East. at 1 P M saw a large school of sharp Fin Blackfish. & Sharp Fin Porpoises. going very quick to the Northward consequently we never lowered the Boats. The last part of this 24 hours. very smooth, clear, & pleasant & one would almost think it never did rain. such is the change of weather near the Equator. Lat at 12 Noon 6° 15' North Lon 21° 30' West

October Friday <sup>The</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Rainy weather for the last 2 days & very squally. ship running to the North East most of the time in days. got one Porpoise the first one we have got for 7 months. so you may be sure we soon secured him off ribs & every other part. That was fit to eat. at 2 P M. saw 2 sail to the Northward. Lat & Lon not ascertained. Lat supposed to be about 8° North.

October Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine weather. most of the time. with light showers of rain, wind from the South West the most part of the time. to day we saw a Fin back & a Barque standing to the southward. likewise saw 2 Water Sprouts. about 3 Miles off. Lat at 12 Noon, 8° 30' N Lon 23° 03' West



Francis Ground,

Sunday October <sup>the</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>. took the wind from the South West & held it till 10 say. with the light squalls of wind & rain have seen nothing but a few sharp fin Blackfish & a few Porpoises yesterday saw a shoal of Whales & thought to have sport but they turned out to be finbacks. Lat at 12 Noon 44° 45' N. Lon 23° 38' 30" West

Wednesday, October <sup>the</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847

Fine breezes from North East, ship running South West. at sunset took in sail & hove too heaving Northward at 5 A M saw a large shoal of Sperm Whales & Black Fish all around the ship, being short handed lowered 2 Boats & got out to the Larboard B & on to the S. B. & killed 2 more but never got them. saw 3 large whales among them. at 10 A M took them along side & cut in, Lat at 12 Noon 43° 27' North Lon 23° 50' 30" West.





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Saturday October <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup>, sea account, 1847.

Fine pleasant weather, & light breeze from East South East. at 2 P.M. got through stowing down the oil. made 33 barrels. at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of civilized Black fish. Lowered 2 Boats, & got one to the Waist Boat a very large one. Lon. at 9 A.M. 25° 46' 45" west.  
Lat. at 12 Noon 13° 30' N



Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847.

Fine pleasant weather. at 2 A.M. spoke the Brig Cathleen of & for Liverpool Eng. from Africa, at 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish. Lowered & got 2 Starboard & Larboard Boats. at 8 took them in & set the works a-going. at 12 Noon Lat 13° 52' N  
Lon 25° 50' W



October Sunday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1847

Thick, muggy weather. at 2 P.M. spoke the Bark Pentrich of Liverpool Eng from Rio de Janeiro, for Hamburg. at 6 P.M. had a tempest of thunder, & lightning, with heavy showers of rain. which lasted till 4 A.M. at 6 kept the ship North West & set short sail, so ends this day Lat & Lon not ascertained.

Same



November Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> sea acct 1847.

This day took the regular North-East-  
Trade winds. The first we have had, & quite  
fresh, been running to the westward is lat  
of 13 to 14 North, seen nothing since the 3<sup>d</sup>  
of last month. at 10 A.M. spoke the Brig  
Sabine of & from Boston bound to Cal  
ifornia. 33 days out; got Papers to the 22<sup>d</sup> of  
September Lat. at 12 Lat 13.13 North Lon 33.30

November Thursday <sup>The</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1847

Light Trades since the 3<sup>d</sup>, ship going  
from 90 to 110 miles in 24 hours. have  
seen nothing before to day, for the last  
week. That was worth noticing, that was  
4 Breeches & two sprouts. call them hum-  
p backs. weather quite thick most of the  
time Lat 12.50 North Lon 16.57 West.

November Friday <sup>The</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> sea account 1847.

Fresh Trades, & very squally, with heavy  
squalls of rain at 12 midnight, heard a  
very heavy Peepers. Thunder very heavy, &  
lightning very sharp. at 2 A.M. cleared off  
Lat at noon 13.35 N Lon 18.50 West.

November, Saturday <sup>The</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> sea acct. 1847.  
Fresh breezes, but squally with heavy showers  
of rain. at 11 P.M. bent a new main topgallant  
sail, & a new fore top sail, having covered the  
old ones to pieces. (the wind rather,) at 12 Lat 13.15  
North Lon 53.40 West.



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November Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> civil account 1847.

Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>. at 3 A.M. saw the island of Dominica bearing North North West. Dist 20 miles & hauled up for it. but could not get by, so kept off & ran down the south side of the island. Had a number of heavy squalls of wind & rain, and at 10 P.M. came to anchor in Prince Rupert's Bay in 4 fathoms water. abreast of the river. Prince Rupert's head bearing N.W.

November Friday <sup>the</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>. 1847.

After taking in 100 Barrells of fresh water & 4 cords of wood, &c. we got under weigh & stood for St. Astor, at 10 A.M. at 4 P.M. we were abreast of Gorakupe. The town of Bastar bearing N.E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. Dist 7 miles. saw a large Sperm Whale. Lowerd & gave chase. with the two Harbord Boats. but 5 Harbord Boat got first. & at a quarter past 5 he was far out. took him along side at 7 P.M.

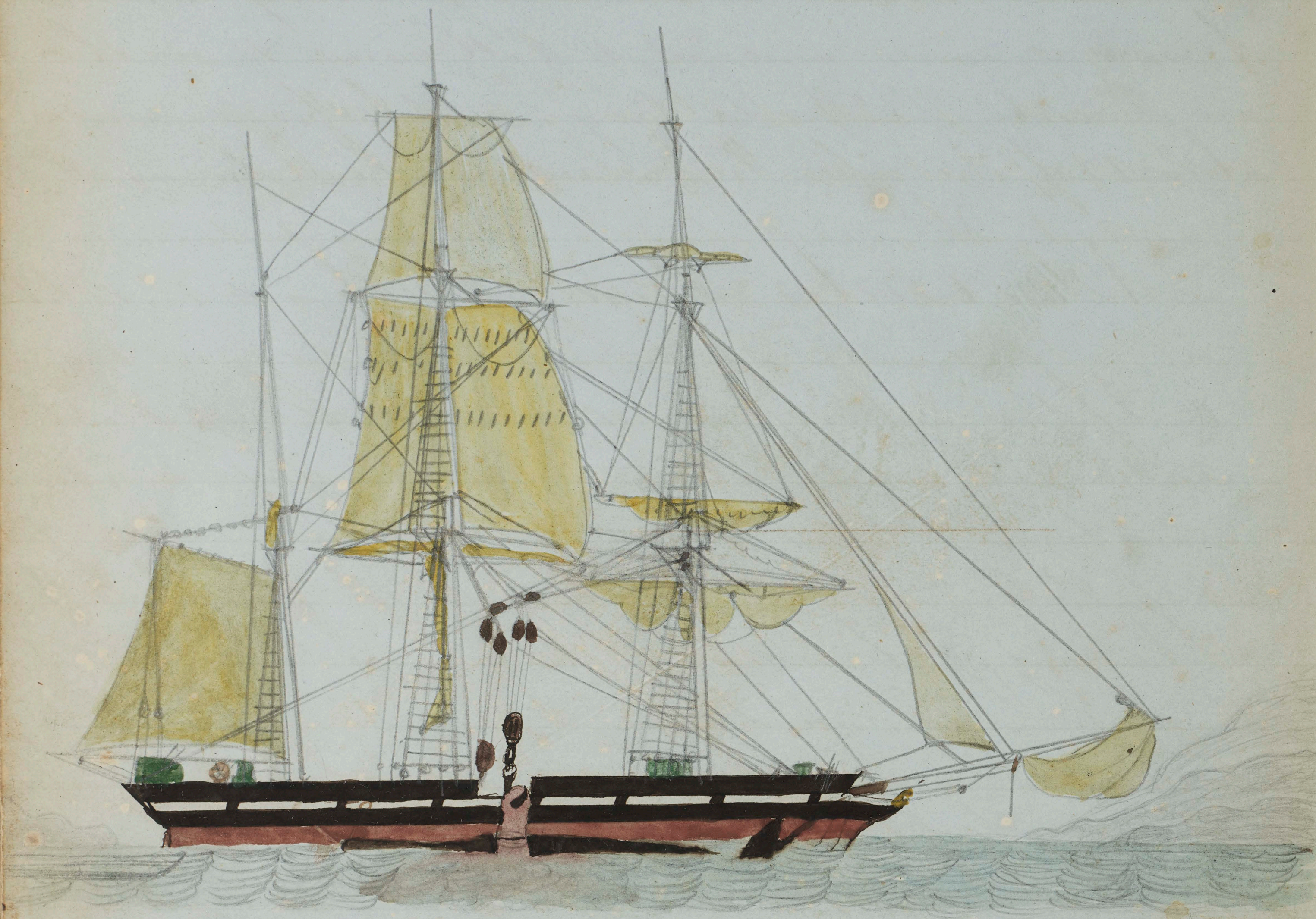




November, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> sea wet

1847

Very moderate & smooth. at 6 A.M.  
hooked on to the whale & cut him in  
in 12 hours. Saw & all.



Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov

November Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> sea wet

1847

A Fresh gale, I mean very moderate  
& smooth. at 8 P.M. set the work going  
& hoisted away. with fine times, & at 3 P.M.  
a large whale, & a plenty of Oranges.  
Saw & saw cured nothing about. & every  
This day, & all.



November Monday <sup>The</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> sea acct 1847

Very moderate & smooth at 8 A.M. got through, boiling & left the oil on Deck to cool. Lat & Lon surpassed with

November Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> sea acct 1847

First part of this <sup>day</sup> moderate & smooth. Last part fresh gales & squally with frequent showers of rain. No day showed over the oil. made 66 Barrells. got through at 6 P.M. Wednesday. Lat. & Lon. ditto.

November Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 13 months got to day. The ship lying between the islands of Nevis & St. Kitts, first part of the very small of wind & rain & very shifty. At 7 A.M. doubled reef the topsails & top in Jib. Gaff topsail & main topgallant at 10. At 11 came to anchor off St. Astoria in 7 fathoms water. so ends this day at 12 Noon

November Friday <sup>The</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1847

Fresh gales. & steady part of the time & part squally with rain. Vegetables being very scarce we got under weigh at 10 A.M. steered for St. Thomas, after having one day's liberty steered to the windward of Saba. Isle at 12 Noon nearly abreast of Saba so ends this day with 2 men about Drunken



November Saturday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea and 1847

Fresh trades, ship running N.W. by West-  
for St. Thomas, at 2 P.M. put on amer-  
ican two topmast-Sail. at 2 A.M. the isle  
of Virgin Gorda bore N.W. Dist 25-  
hove the ship to & by till 6 A.M. & then  
left off for St. Thomas, which we saw at  
10 1/2 A.M. at 12 lat by obs 18° 20' N. Long not

November Sunday <sup>The</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> sea and 1847

Light Breeze. but squally, with a plenty  
of rain, at 6 P.M. came to anchor in St.  
Thomas, 4 fathoms water. at 8 A.M.  
the Larboard watch went on shore, so ends

December Thursday <sup>The</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea and 1847

Fine weather, the ship lying off & on  
the port of St. Thomas. waiting for  
the ship keeper, who ran away from  
the ship last Monday, caught him  
at 2 P.M. came off & stood for Blacca  
with the wind from North, & a full  
crew. after having painted & recruited  
ship, in port. I bent a new foresail. &c  
so ends this day

December, Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 1847

The ship most of the time lying up  
from S.E. by E. to S by E. with light winds  
& steady. at 2 P.M. put a steam ship  
running to the North. at 6 P.M. with a fresh  
breeze. at 10 A.M. came to anchor under



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the Lee, of the isle of Blanca, in 2 fathoms of water, here we saw the hermaphrodite Brig Samuel Cook, & schs. Thos. Edwin both of Province town, Brig had 130 barrels Sperm, & schs 60 Sperm. so ends this day

December Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Fresh gales from S E. ship lying to anchor on N. Leeward side of Blanga. island. in company with the schs Edwin. The Brig having sailed for St. Thomas, to recruit, at 10 A.M. so ends this day.

December Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Cruising around Blanca. isl At 6 A.M. got under weigh & stood out to the Northward, at 11 A.M. came to anchor, again having seen nothing so ends this day.

December, Wednesday 22<sup>d</sup> 1847

At 6 A.M. got under weigh & stood out to the Northward. at 11 strucked ship & stood out to the South, having seen nothing tacke again. & at 2 P.M. came to anchor. & finished the day in mending old sails & fitting blocks. for the week the they having wore out entirely.

So much for the first week at Blanca



Cruising Round, Blanca. Isle  
December Thursday 23<sup>d</sup> 1847.

Fresh gales & quite squally, with frequent showers of rain. at 6 A.M. got under weigh & stood out to the North. at 10 tacked ship & stood to the south. at 2 P.M. came to an anchor. Friday 24<sup>th</sup>. went through with the same maneuvers. at night go again. so ends the day.

December Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Fresh Breeze, & very squally, & heavy showers of rain. at 7 A.M. the Sch. Edwin got under weigh & sailed for St. Thomas. to recruit ship. & left us all the chance to ourselves. so ends the day.

January Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 1848.

Fine weather. sent two Boats to cut wood on Tuesday, & ~~sent~~ so day we lowered the Boats for a shoal of Killers. & got one to the Starboard Boat & one to the Waist Boat. saw one shoal yesterday. at 12 noon cut them in & finished the day by cutting up wood. so ends this day, one more off duty.



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January Monday <sup>the</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1848

Squally weather, with frequent showers of rain. At 6 A.M. got underweigh at Blanca & sailed for Mona passage. With wind E.N.E. saw a few Pinbacks, but nothing more. At 12 Lat 12.20 North Lon not ascertained. so en

January Thursday <sup>the</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1848

First part of this day fresh Breezes, the last part more moderate. at 6 A.M. saw the island of Portorico bearing North. at 10 saw the schs Edwin from St. Thomas. so ends this 24<sup>th</sup>.

January Friday <sup>the</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

All this 24 hours. At 4 P.M. came with Edwin at 7 P.M. came on board. at 8 A.M. saw some Breeches. & Spouts. to windward, toward the Star board Boats & gave chase. but never saw them again. so gave it up. so ends this day Cape Roxo bearing North by West.

Cruising in Mona Passage.

January Saturday <sup>the</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1848.

First part of this 24 hours, fine moderate weather, the last part fresh gales from the North. at 6 A.M. spoke the Brig Samuel Cook from New Bedford. had seen Sperm whales 4 times & got 50 Barrels since she left St. Thomas. had one man taken sick & died at 1 o'clock this morning, laid in company with her Capt. Cook & buried him on Mona island &c.



The Cruise Continued. in Mona passage

January Sunday <sup>The</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1848.  
First part of this day fresh gales from the North. after having buried Mr Bangs. on Mona. stood out to the Eastward & Looer for hump backs. but got none. & came on board & stood for Cape Roxo. at 6 PM took sail single reef topsail & Main & Gallant sail it blowing fresh.

January Thursday <sup>The</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

Moderate gales from the Northward since Sunday, carry sail night & day to get up on the ground near Cape Roxo's Bank. tide running strong to the South. West. have seen hump Backs & Grampuses, every day since we came here. but not the whales, that we are after. have seen a number of merchant vessels. & the Brig Metaporsett of Metaporsett. a whales. so ends this day one man sick with Fever & Ague. D.C. D.C. D.C. D.C. D.C. D.C.

Friday January <sup>The</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> sea account 1848.  
First part this fine weather last part not so good. at 8 AM struck & killed a hump Back. to the Waist Boat. & took him along side at 12 Noon. so ends this day. Cape Roxo bearing East 15 Miles.





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January Monday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

Fine weather for the last 3 days, saw some Blackfish & a plenty of humpbacks. at 12 Noon got through blowing down the oil from the Humpback taken on Friday. made 23 barrels. Sunday Gained all day with the Samuel Cook, & Edwin. so ends this day. &c. Cape Roxo bearing E.

January Sunday <sup>The</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

Fresh Breeze to day, at 3 P.M. kept off for San-Pa: with a heavy squall from the North of wind & rain. at 4 P.M. past Mona island running West by South. at 8 A.M. spoke the Sch. Eliza of & from New York. Capt. Rich 7 days passage. went on board, & got some late Papers. at 10 A.M. struck & saved a Black Fish. round the ship. so ends this day. &c. St. Domingo City bearing N 20° W

February Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea account 1848

Fresh Breeze the whole 24 hours. at 4 P.M. past between, Beeta island. & Alcevela. & run North West by North into the bay. at 10 kept off & run down the shore. at sunset took in sail for the first night in San Pa: at sun rise set whole sail & ran into the bay. at noon abreast of the Chalk Cliffs. so ends this day.



# Cruising in Lamba.

Sunday February 6<sup>th</sup> 1848.

Saw nothing this week. but a few Crabs  
purses & a few Porpoises. The weather being  
good in the fore part of the day, & fresh  
Trades in the after part. Yesterday &  
to day. The water seems to be very thick. more  
so than before. at 6 A.M. set all sail &  
stood out for Alameda to get some Eggs.  
but the sea breeze came up so quick we could  
not fetch it tacked ship & stood into the  
bay again. so ends this day, & all well. &c.

February Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

Light breezes & squally. with light showers  
of rain. at 6 P.M. came to anchor in bottom-  
less Bay. after getting a Tub full of Birds  
& Eggs from Alameda. at 6 A.M. got under  
weigh & ran down into the Bay. so ends this 4<sup>th</sup>

February Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Sea acct.

1848.  
Fresh Breezes the first part of this  
24 hours. this last part moderate. Thursday  
we spoke the Brig McManussett of  
from Westport 10 months out, 60  
Barrells of Sperm oil & 25 of Black.  
Capt Briggs. at 4 P.M. to day lowered the  
Boat for a Gull. the above Brig in sight  
so ends this day & week. &c.



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# The Cruise Continued,

Monday February <sup>The</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Nov, sea acct, 1848

Very light weather for the first part of this day but rather squally with light showers of rain. at 2 P.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish it being sundown, at this time we never lowered the Boats. so ends this day.

February Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

Fresh Breeze. till 6 P.M. at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Black Fish & lowered the Boat & got a Porpoise, at 6 A.M. the Cook senior duty, because he was found fault with by one of the foremast hands so ends this day.

February Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> 1848

Fine weather most of the time. today at 4 P.M. took a heavy Thunder squall & wind & rain a plenty. had a Gun with the Brig M. Porsett of Westport saw some sharp fin Black fish & Porpoises & got some. to day broke out the hove, & put up the luthe. so ends the day.

February Sunday <sup>The</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

Pleasant weather the whole day. & a Plenty of Porpoises & Grampuses. but no whales nor any thing that look like, or what so ends this day &c







The Cruise Continued  
 March Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 181-  
 1818.

Fine weather & smooth at 9 M. lowered  
 the Boats in chase of a humpback  
 at 12 M. fresh breeze. Clewed down & dou-  
 ble reefed the Topsails. at night came  
 with the Rhine. to day saw a plenty of Black  
 fish so ends this day. &c. Cook Sick

March Friday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> sea & c. 1818.

Heavy breeze to day. At 1 P.M. took in  
 double reef topsail. Drib Main sail & Spr-  
 nker. & called down the Look out from masthead  
 at 5 A.M. set sail & stood for the Clifts it  
 being rather more moderate so ends this  
 Cook Sick

March Sunday <sup>The</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> sea & c. 1818.

First part of this day fresh gales &  
 very rough. at 1 P.M. took in double reef  
 topsail & at 6 P.M. came to anchor abreast  
 of the Fort in 5 fathoms water. at 8 A.M. got  
 under weigh & beat up the windward &  
 anchored with the rest of the vessels at  
 11 A.M. so ends this day & 2 men sick.

March Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> sea & c. 1818.  
 Fresh Trades today. at 1 P.M. the Sam-  
 uel Cook. came from Monro passage  
 had seen nothing since the Schs left. today  
 came up with the topsail rigging. & fitted a new fist to  
 the topsail. at 6 A.M. got under weigh & stood out to Sea  
 &c.



Cruising in Samba, Continued. &c.

March Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1848

First part of this day fresh gales from the Eastward, at 4 P.M. came to anchor at the watering place. to get water in company with the Capt Francis. & took the Cask ashore. at 4 P.M. went on shore & took off the water. The sea breeze come in at 8 we lay the rest of the day so ends this day.

March Friday <sup>the</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> sea act 1848. Cook Sick

At 6 A.M. got under weigh & stood out on the Ground, in company with the Rhine. The Rhine left for the Bay of Mexico. at 10 took the Trades. so ends this day. Cook Sick

March Saturday <sup>the</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> sea act 1848

Fresh Trades. To day saw 2 more vessels new comers. at 2 P.M. came to anchor in 8 fathoms water. at 8 A.M. sent down the fore top sail & mended it, & sent it up again. to day the Brig. her name Aphrodite Cadmus arrived from Provincetown Capt Loper. 20 guns out. brought Letters we took off the old fore sail & bent the new one. so ends this day. Cook sick



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The Cruise Continued S.C. & C.

March Monday <sup>The</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

Fresh breezes the first part of this day.  
the last part more moderate. at 5 A.M.  
got under weigh & stood out to sea. on  
the ground. so ends this day. one man sick.

March <sup>W</sup>Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

Pleasant weather the whole 24 hours. &  
very smooth. at 9 A.M. saw a large shoal  
of Black Fish in the Bay, the Bay  
seemed to be full, got one to the Waist-  
Boat. so ends this day. Cook sick.

March Saturday <sup>The</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

First part of this day spoke the Brig  
Franklin of Provincetown from St  
Thomas. 240 Barrels Sperm oil, bound  
into the Gulf, garned with the fleet-  
saw a number of Blackfish, fine  
weather the whole day. so ends this day.  
Cook sick.

March Thursday <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> 1848

Fresh gales the whole day, to day.  
broke out the holo. & stowed down  
50 Barrell of salt-water to ballast  
the vessel with. came to anchor to day.  
at 8 A.M. set up the fore stay, & lower  
rigging fore & aft. so ends to day.  
The Cook sick yet. &c.



# The Cruise Continued

March Friday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

Breeze gale the first part of this 24 hour. The last part calm. at 1 A.M. the Calves got under weigh & went off to water. &c Cook Sick

March Saturday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848.

Smooth weather & light breezes from the westward ship lying to anchor in company with S Cook & March at 5 A.M. got under weigh & stood out on the ground at 12 Noon off the watering place, &c ends this day. Cook Sick

March Sunday <sup>The</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848

Fine weather & light winds from the westward, at 1 P.M. lowered for a number of Humpbacks, rather wild & skittish gave up the chase. at 3 P.M. went in, & filled 20 Barrells of fresh water. at 7 A.M. got under weigh & stood out to sea Cook Sick

March Monday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

fine weather light Breezes. saw a plenty Black Fish. lowered & took 3. at 8 A.M. the March & Samuel Cook left for the Bahama Ground. so ends &c





# The Cruise Continued

March Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea acct

Fine light winds from the west 1848  
ward. to day saw a plenty of Black fish  
lowerd. but could not get fast, they being  
rather skittish. They bay seemd to be full  
of them. good weather & all hands waiting  
for Whales to come. so ends this day. one

April Saturday <sup>the</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> sea acct 1848 sick

Pleasant weather, & light breezes from  
the westward. no Black fish this 3 days  
nor no whales. nor no signs of any. to  
day not all hands got food so ends

April Monday <sup>the</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> sea acct 1848. this day one sick got

Fresh no! Fine weather & very smooth  
nothing to be seen, but scler. Edwin.

April Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

Fair weather, & very smooth. calm  
to day. till 10 P.M. took a light breeze  
from the Westward. at 10 A.M. took  
the Trade winds & kept the ship off. W  
est in company with the Edwin so ends today  
Lat 17.45. N Long 121.33. W

April Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Fine Light  
breeze. from the Eastward at 12 A.M. took  
the wind off the land with a squall, & rain  
saw a Porch at dark. so ends



Cruising in Portau Prince Bay.

April Thursday <sup>the 4<sup>th</sup></sup> sea acct. 1848.

Fresh breezes from the East North East at 11 A.M. Lay too off Salupe Port. & went on shore for vegetables, got Yams at the rate of 12 pounds of Pork for 1 Barrell of yams, sweet Potatoes at 14 lbs of Pork. Plantains in proportion, oranges, could not be had. Port Salupe, lies 16 miles from Bevy's to the N.W. good anchorage, & no Port-charges, good place to recruit, from 2½ to 5 fathoms water, soft Bottoms & no reef.

April Friday <sup>the 5<sup>th</sup></sup> sea acct 1848.

Fresh gales the ship lying off & on Salupe Port. in company with the Edwin, at 6 P.M. came off & kept the ship West till 1 A.M. & then hove too, & day light set sail, & stood for Cape Don Maria. so ends this day, &c

April Saturday <sup>the 6<sup>th</sup></sup> sea acct, 1848

Light breezes from all parts of the Compass the first part of this day the last part calm at 2 P.M. ahead of Cape Giberroom, at 10 A.M. bent the mizes topmast staysail, & went making 50 strokes per hour. at 12 Noon the island of Carriter bearing E N E Dis 2 Leagues. so ends the 2d hours.



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April Monday 10<sup>th</sup> sea 1848.

Fine weather, & very smooth. Light breezes from the South West most of the time, at others from all points of the Compass. To day saw two shoals of Black fish the first part, the day, being Sunday, never lowered, at 12 Night abreast the false Cape, of St. Domingo all hands employed in ships duty. at 8 A.M. took a light breeze from the N.W. & kept the ship N.E. at 10 took the wind West & kept the ship N by E  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. at 12 Noon abreast of Cape Nicholas. Lat 19 44.8 N Lon 78 48.45 West &c.

April Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

At 1 P.M. saw the isle of St. Domingo a stern, bearing S by W Dist 30 miles at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Black fish, at 7 spoke the Edwin. had 9 of 9 Black fish at 2 A.M. took the North East Breeze, & kept the ship N.N.W. at 12 Past the Barge Bianca of Belfast. Lat to day 20 11 15 Lon 78 30 W. hands employed in rating down

April Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848  
Fresh gale the whole day, at 4 P.M. took the wind from N. Wacker ship & stood E. the wind veering & hauling over 15 minutes from N.N.W. to N.N.E. at 8 A.M. saw the land of Arranges bearing N.N.E. Dist 12 miles Lat 20 51 N Lon 78 40 West.



April Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> sea and 1848.

Fresh gales from NNE & shifting at 2 PM took ship to the Westward. at 4 PM took in Topgallant sail, & gafflop sail & M<sup>g</sup> staysail & single reef tops. at 4 PM took ship the Eastward. at 10 PM taken ship to the North, wind ENE ship making 100 strokes per hour. at 6 AM set whole sail bearing North. Hogsties bearing ENE. Dis 12 Miles Ship running N & W. At 12 Noon Lat 22.25 N

April Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> sea and 1848.

Light breezes from the SE, ship running North by West. at PM set Studding sails at 2 PM. Crooked Island bearing East. at 4 AM judged ourselves up with Bird Rock & hauld up North by E. at 6 AM saw on her, the Brig & a schooner, at 12 noon Lat 23.10 N Lon 4

April Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> sea and 1848

Light breezes from the South, ship running East by North. hands employed in ship's duty. The ship making 800 strokes per hour. concluded to start for home. saw a number of vessels in sight. so easy this day. & all well. Lat, Lon.



Homeward Bound.

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April Sunday <sup>The</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> sea account.

1848.

Fresh breezes, from the South West, ship running N by E, & very pleasant the ship continuing to leak, bad, at 10 A.M. rather more wind, & Cloudy, set top mast & lower Studding sail, at 12 M. Lat 26.31 N Lon 73.31.45 West.

April Monday <sup>The</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848.

Fresh gales, & stormy with frequent heavy squalls. at 2 P.M. the shifting to the westward, with a squall, took in the studding sails, Gaff topsail & Mizen top Staysail, at 3 took in topgallants, 1<sup>st</sup> Main sail & Sprinker, & double reefed the topsails. blowing heavy from the Westward at 10 A.M. took in all but topsail & foresail. & have too heading N.N.E. at 12 Lat 27.22

Lon 73.13.45 W.

April Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> sea account 1848.

Heavy gales from the North, ship lying to under double reef N top sail & foresail, & stay sail, and a very heavy sea running. at 2 P.M. saw a Barque heading Southward, at 6 P.M. more moderate. set 1<sup>st</sup> abt reef fore top sail, at 6 A.M. were ship to the N.W., shift to E.N.E. & set whole sail, ship, looking very bad, at 12 Lat 27.11 N Lon 72.4.30 West.



Howard Lund, & Co

April Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

Fine pleasant weather, & light breeze from the Eastward, for the first part; Last part, the day smart breeze from the South, set Studding Sails, & kept the ship North ships Leak increasing, to 900 Strokes per hour, at 12 Noon Lat 28° 08' North Lon 72° 38' 00" W

April Thursday <sup>the</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

First part of this day, fine gales from SSW ship running North, the last part, heavy gales from the N West, took a heavy Squall from N W, & took in every thing but double reef topsails, & hoove to heading North East, Lat 29° 05' North Lon 71° 26' 45" West.

April Friday <sup>the</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> sea acct 1848.

Fresh gales from the N W, & very rough, at 2 P.M. wore ship to the Westward, at 6 A.M. headed up N N W, & set whole sail, continues rough the whole time, ship looking very bad, at 12 Noon, Lat 29° 35' N Lon 72° 34' 45" W

April Saturday <sup>the</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> sea acct 1848.

Fine breeze from East, ship running North by West, to day saw 5 sail of Shipping Sailing Different Courses. Lat. & Lon not correctly ascertained



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# Homeward Bound,

April Sunday <sup>The</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> sea acct, 1848

Fresh gales from S S E to South, & stormy, ship running North. heavy sea running, saw a number of vessels bound different ways, ship still continues to leak very bad. no Lat. or Lon. today.

April Monday <sup>The</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

First part of this 24 hours. fresh gales & stormy. from the South. at 4 P.M. took in studding sails. took a heavy squall from South. & took in all sail except the fore sail & fore top May sail. at 10 set double reef top sails. at 3 A.M. set fore & M sail, & Spankers. ship heading N by E. wind at N W. at 6 A.M. set what the wind. fine weather. Lat to day 34. 17. N Lon 12. 58. 30 West. &c.

April Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

First part this day pleasant weather & light breezes from S W. ship running North at 7 P.M. took a squall from the N W. at 9 took from the Eastward. & stood to the North under short sail. jugged our selves in the Gulf Stream. at 8 A.M. went out of the Gulf, & came on our soundings Lat at 12 36. 32 N Lon 10. 10. 00



## Homeward Bound

April Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> sea and 1848

Heavy Gale from the East North East, & heavy sea & running, ship lying to under double reef topsails, at 1 P.M. split the fore top sail, & furled it, & closed reef the M top sail, at 10 P.M. rather moderate, set the Jib, Main sail & Spanker, at 2 A.M. set whole M. top sail & bent, New fore top sail, & set top gallant sail, & gaff top sail light breeze from the East & kept the ship N.N.W. at day light calm & foggy at 8 A.M. Looked for Black fish but got none, saw a vessel bound the Eastward her Brig, at 12 Lat 37.44, N Lon

not ascertained  
April Thursday <sup>The</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> sea and 1848;

Light breezes from all points of the Compass for the first part of this 24 hours, & thick & stormy, at 1 P.M. Landed, had 65 fathoms water. Last part fresh gale from N.E., at 2 A.M. double reefed the topmast, & took in top gallant sail, ship standing N.N.W. at 6 A.M. rounded & had 5 fathoms, & kept the ship off West, for Smith island & set whole sail, & set both Standing Sails, saw 3 sail, at 8 fore & aft she stood over the bow to the Northward, very foggy, at 11 spoke Pilot Boat Eye, Baltimore, at 12 saw Cape Henry bearing W by South, & steered for Hampton Roads, for harbor, & so ends my



Lying at anchor in Hampton Roads

April Friday 28<sup>th</sup> The sea was 18<sup>th</sup> 1848  
Fresh gale from E.N.E. & very stormy at 1 P.M. spoke Pilot Boat Rein Deer, Norfolk. at 2 past the Rigs Rapidsport at 3 P.M. came to anchor in Hampton Roads, & pumped her out. day ended in running

April Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> The sea was 18<sup>th</sup> 1848  
Foggy weather, & light winds from the Eastward, ship lying at anchor in Hampton Roads. Hands employed in ships Duty. at 6 A.M. arrived, at 7 discharged the shipper, & set her ashore at 8 A.M. got under weigh & sailed down the Bay. at 12 Noon abreast of Cape Henry, so ends this day.

Homeward Bound Again

Lat 37.06,  
April Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> sea was 18<sup>th</sup> 1848.  
Fine weather & pleasant gale from the South at 1 past 12 P.M. took our departure from C. Henry & steered E.N.E. at 3 kept the ship N.E. by E. at 4 P.M. took a heavy squall from the N.W. aback. lowered down & took in every thing & double reefed the Topsails. & headed S.E. at 2 A.M. set the Topsail 2 reefs at 8 A.M. set 1st Main sail, & Spunkies. & topgallons over single reef Topsails. & bent a new fore topmast stay sail & wore ship to N.W.



Homeward Bound,  
May Monday <sup>The</sup> 1st sea and 1848

Light winds from the Eastward, & very stormy, & very baffling, ship standing in shore Cape Henry bearing S S W Dist 20 miles at 6 A.M. took ship to the Eastward, saw a number of fore & aft schooners, running North & Southward, so ends this day. — — — — —

May Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 2d sea and 1848.

Calm all the first part of this 24 hours with light rains & foggy. at 4 P.M. backed ship to the North East. at 5 A.M. took a light breeze from South & set Studd sail. & left ship North East so ends this 24<sup>th</sup>

May Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 3d sea and 1848

First part of this day calm most of the time few light airs from the Eastward, very thick of fog, with light rains. at 1 A.M. took a good breeze from the S.W. course N.E. & set Studding Sails. at 8 carried away topmast Studding sail Yards saw a number of vessels bound S. at 12 Lat 39° 00' N

May Thursday <sup>The</sup> 4th sea and 1848. Light airs from the Eastward, the first part, of this 24 hours & cloudy, the last part Light breezes from South West saw a number of shipping bound Southward boats employed in ships duty. setting up rigging & painting &c Lat at 12 39° 44' N. Block Island bearing N E by N Dist 80 M



May Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848 H. B.

Fine light breeze from South West first part of this 24 hours. The ship running N. E. by N. the last part, breeze from the South. Plenty of shipping in light sailing various courses. At 11 A.M. saw Block island bearing N by N & kept the ship E. N. E.

May Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848 <sup>several this 24th</sup>

Light breeze from the South East. at 1 P.M. passed Block island. at 2 we Briggs & a scho. past us. at 8 P.M. set in thick fog. at 10 took in sail & hove by. continued foggy the rest of the day. heard 3 gun reports. which we could find out nothing came

so ends this day.  
May Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848.

Thick fog & moderate this first part. at 2 P.M. anchored in 14 fathoms. at 4 let up. Cutter hunk bearing E. N. E. Dist 4 miles at 6 thick again anchored again, in 12 fathoms, & lay till morning. & then got under weigh. light breeze from S. S. W. at 12 noon past the Light Boat on Log & Pigs. & entered Pinyard Sound. good this day. & clear.

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

Fine breeze from South West. at 6 P.M. came to anchor in Holms Hole in 4 fathoms. at 1 1/2 A.M. got under weigh. & stood down channel. at 10 A.M. took wind from East & beat down in sight of Nantucket &c



May Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> sea acct, 1848.

Fine light winds from the S & E, & baffling ship beating down to Nantucket Light at 3 P.M. put the Light Boat on Duckanuck Shoal, at 4 took light breeze from Southward at 2 P.M. past Nantucket Light, at 11 passed between the great & Little Round, shoals, & steered N E by E, wind continued light till 7 A.M. when we took a light breeze from the E N E, & continued beating up the Cape Cod Coast, at 12 abreast of 3 Lights so ends this day & all.

May Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848

Light & baffling winds from all points of the Compass, at 4 A.M. abreast of the High Land Light, & took a light breeze from the South west, at 7 A.M. set Capt Smith & his Wife, ashore on the Cape, 3 miles below the Race point, at 8 went by the wood End, & came to anchor in Provincetown wy Harbor, thus ends the Parker Cooks Voyage of 18 months. & 1/2.

Joseph W. Luck,

Provincetown May  
10<sup>th</sup> sea acct 1848







Monday June 12<sup>th</sup> 1848

At 7½ P.M., got under weigh, at the Market Warfe, in Provincetown, & sailed for Shalore Bay, in the Schooner, *Bokeno*, Capt. P. Crook Nickerson, on a Mackerel Voyage, at 11 P.M. past the Race point Light with wind from North West, & steered East. at 2 A.M. Left sight of the High Land Light & took our Departure accordingly, for Cape Sable, had a fine run, throughout the day, at 12, no observation so errors, the day.

June Friday the 16<sup>th</sup>. run

Fine weather the whole passage, & common breezes from North West to South West, & very clear, the whole time. saw a plenty of shipping bound up & down the coast of Nova Scotia. at 1 saw the coast on Thursday & run down the coast in sight of it nearly the whole time. Friday at 1 P.M. past the Boaring Bull, Rock & entered the Gut. of Can. Is. & at 8 P.M. came to anchor in, Parker Cove. at day light commenced taking in wood & water. at 8 A.M. on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> got under weigh, & beat up to the North with wind from the North west, saw a number of Fishermen at anchor taking wood & water, while passing.



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June Monday <sup>The</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1848.

After passing through the Gut of Canso continued on to the North for the isle of St. Johns, steering North at 11 P.M. on Saturday night past Grindstone Isle next Born at 5 A.M. abreast of East Point St. Johns. & continued up the shore at 1/2 past 10 P.M. past North point. Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> we took in flying jib & Main sail & hove too, heading West. at 6 A.M. Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> spoke schrs. Almonds, Cook 7000 fish Alameda 7000, Elmore 16,000, Sparks, & Parritan, Small, 7000, reported some Mackerel at North point, hove too & tried them, & caught one & lost him which was all we felt. continued to work up the Bay, & trying occasionally. Mackerel seem to be very scarce.

Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> caught 4 wash barrels of Mackerel. spoke with others who found them as scarce as we did.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> caught 8 Barrells early in the morning, caught more afterwards, tried all the way from West shore to St. Johns island, West & North points & Bank Parrelly, from Monday<sup>19</sup> till Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> light winds from North to East, & stormy winds very huffling, Friday & Saturday & Sunday very rough wind from North West, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> went in to Mall Peck. Monday 26<sup>th</sup> went 8 miles to get to with for flying jib Born



having carried it away on Monday  
 & filled water. Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> got un-  
 der weigh & stood up the shore to  
 North Cape, in company with 10 sail.  
 Thursday 29, foggy, to day got 30 B  
 arrells. Friday 30<sup>th</sup> clear. got 20  
 wash Barrells, about the average of 30  
 sail, in sight.

Sunday July 2<sup>d</sup>, had storm  
 from South. anchored. haff way  
 from N to West point, for a  
 lee. July 4<sup>th</sup> anchored 20 miles  
 N.E. of West point, heavy storm  
 from S.E. Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> got  
 40 Barrells, under West Shore, Prince  
 Edwards island just in sight bearing  
 S.W. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> got 3 Barrells  
 another storm from North East,  
 ran down under West Point for a bar-  
 bor, an English, Scher, ran a foul, gas  
 & carried away our flying jibboom, &  
 tore away his Main sail & Main boom.  
 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> got a new Sprus, & made  
 a new jibboom, & attended the Scher's  
 Main sail, still storming from N  
 E. we now have 100 Barrells, of Macker  
 Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> rigged out the new  
 jibboom, & got under weigh & stood  
 out on the Ground Monday  
 the 10<sup>th</sup> the 10<sup>th</sup>, to day got 20 wash  
 B Barrells. Friday 11<sup>th</sup> at  
 noon 60 Barrells off on a stor-  
 ed down 23, makes us 180 B.



Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> took in  
 20 w Barrells. off Seimamack.  
 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 10 w Barrells. between  
 Seimamack & Point Misca. The  
 weather continues finer with light  
 winds from all points of the  
 compass. water 20 or 25 fathoms.  
 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> got 20 w Barrells.,  
 between Bank Brasley & Seimamack.  
 Light breeze from S.E. most of the  
 day, at night took a squall of wind &  
 rain from S.E.  
 Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> took w Barrells.,  
 fresh breeze from S.E. the first part  
 & S.W. the last part, more moderate.  
 Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> of Seimamack  
 took in 45 w Barrells.,  
 17<sup>th</sup> 40 Barrells.,  
 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>, 10 Barrells. over the side  
 of St John's. Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 25  
 Barrells. over to Seimamack, making  
 up 300 Barrells. spoke the May 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
 Barrells. The Puritan 30,000 of Fish  
 Eastern Light 320 Barrells of Macker-  
 rel. Friday 21<sup>st</sup> thick fog, lying  
 6 miles off Seimamack Light 10  
 fathoms water. at 4 P.M. came to an  
 anchor behind Seimamack Light &  
 filled 12 Barrells of fresh water, up to  
 the settlement, anchored in 2½ fathoms.  
 Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> stood over to North Point  
 St John's island & got 25 wash barre-  
 ls. to day spoke Express 300 Barrells.



Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Fresh breeze from the N<sup>W</sup>  
went into Cascon Deck to make a harbour  
stowed down 24 barrels making 325.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Lying in Cascon Deck this  
eve went a shore and had a good Spree  
Spoke the sch Plant had 160 barrels.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> came out of harbour and got 14 barrels  
of mackerel.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> off North Point got 5 barrels fish  
Spoke the sch May had 110 barrels.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> started for New Orleans  
ms. took the wind from S.E. & stood back  
for N Point. blowing very fresh from SE  
at 6 P.M. more moderate, but running  
very heavy hove too, got 6 P.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> heavy breeze from S S W took  
in reefs & hove too took in 30 Barrels  
after part the day moderate.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> quite a fresh breeze from the N<sup>W</sup>  
hove to off Wall Deck and took in 25 wash  
barrels of Mackerel. last part calm.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> lying off Wall Deck took in 10  
barrels of Fish and stowed down 10 barrels 410

Saturday August 31<sup>st</sup> 1848.

Arrived at the Isle of Entry, New Orleans  
& spoke Sch<sup>r</sup>s Rio Grande, & North Cape  
of Provincetown Gen<sup>l</sup> 160 Poin 180.

Sunday Storm from South anchor rose  
Entry land, fine weather all the next  
week. got 10 Barrels.

August Monday 1<sup>st</sup> 5-25 Barrels at  
at anchor, under the lee of Cape all right, with  
a fresh W N W breeze.



August the 22<sup>d</sup>

1848.

Very heavy gales from the Eastward  
Ship going to the Leeward of Entry  
island, in company with a fleet of 60  
sail. Gale lasted 4 days

August 24. got underweigh. & stood out on  
the ground. ESE from Entry isle, found  
some fish. this week got 90 Barrells.

Tuesday August 28<sup>th</sup>. fresh gales & stormy  
from Southward, bore away for Gridley's Harbor  
to make a lee. we now have 620 Barrells.

Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup>. got under weigh. & stood  
off on Cape Allright ledge, found nothing  
& kept off for S. W. of Entry Island. Spent  
Capt Pryer, Schs Ontario, 210 Barrells

August Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> 1848  
Fresh gales from N. W. to day kept off  
for East Point, S. Johns. saw nothing  
worth catching. fish very scarce.

August Thursday: 31<sup>st</sup> 1848.

Fresh Norther. & a very heavy sea  
running. To day hooped too & took in  
Barrells of fish between Entry isle &  
E Point.

Friday September the 1<sup>st</sup> 1848  
Pleasant weather. Light breeze from NW  
We made 23 2 or 3 trials but found them  
scattering.

Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> run over to St.  
Johns. & got 15 wash barrells.

Sunday 3<sup>d</sup> found nothing, fresh  
breeze from the S.E. beat over to Chashed  
found nothing there, fresh breeze N.W.



Sept Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> 1848

At 3 P.M. kept off for the Gut. with a fresh breeze from the S.W. & stormy. made 2 or 3 trials but raised nothing, & gave it up & stood for Horse. at 4. Entered the Gut of Cance.

Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>. after lying to the warf all night, at McGurres Cove. got underway with light breeze from the North West. & raining hard. at 2 P.M. past by old Cance Light House. in company with a fleet of 20 sail of Coasters and fishermen at 6 P.M. calm. at 8 took the wind from the S.E. very light & kept the W.L. W. & C. & C. & C.

September Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> 1848.

At 12 Noon took a squall from N.E. & kept off for the Cape, in company with a fleet of 450 sail of Mackerell fishers, bound in to harbor. at 4 P.M. came to anchor in Provincetown harbor with 640 Barrells of mackerel. making a voyage of 3 months to a day. so ends the Hokers's Mackerell Voyage.

Joseph W. Buck,  
Provincetown. September 12<sup>th</sup> 1848.



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Journal of A Whale Voyage in  
The Brig Medford, Provincetown Mass  
Capt. William Dyer Master, in North  
Atlantic Ocean. Began, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 1849.

February, Tuesday, <sup>The</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> sea and 1849.

At 9 A.M. got under weigh in Provincetown  
Harbor, with the wind from East South East, & a  
thick Snow Storm, & put to sea, for the West Indies  
a whaling, at 10 past the race point, & ran out  
East, snowing very thick, & a heavy swell from North  
E. & strong breeze from South East, at 7 in the evening  
took the wind from the westward, with a squall, &  
kept the ship South South East so ends this day.

February Thursday <sup>The</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1849.

First part of this day Light winds from the west  
North West. Last part. heavy Gale from N. North  
West, & a very heavy Sea running, at 2 A.M. washed  
both Quarter Boats off the Ceanes, & stove them very bad,  
called all hands, & took them in, & run under double  
reef Top sail & fore sail so ends this day, 5 men sick &  
off duty 20 mule & one Boat Scurves included Lat D.R 34.25.

February Friday <sup>The</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1849.

All this 24 hours heavy Gale from North West,  
at 2 P.M. hove the ship to, under Storm Trysail, it  
blowing very hard, & a heavy sea running, ship  
making a Great quantity of water, was obliged to  
stave bulwarks to let off the water, off Deck, so ends this  
day, 5 men off duty, Lat & Lon not ascertained D.C.



Voyage of the Sch. James Porter, from  
Provincetown to Philadelphia & back to Provincetown  
again, began Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> 1848. Capt Lewis Morris  
Master.

Nov Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup>

1848.

All this day, fine weather, & light & gentle breezes  
from the westward. at 9 A.M. got under weigh in Provincetown  
harbour, for Philadelphia, with a cargo of Cod  
Fish, & Mackerel. at 11 past Race Point Light house, &  
sailed down the sandy spurs of Cape Cod, till we were  
abreast of Chatham Light, when we took the wind from  
the Southward, we then beat down over the shoals till  
the next morning, when we took the wind from the Sea  
the East, & ran up through Butlers Hole, past Hagon  
is., & came to anchor in Barpaulin Cove, at 8 P.M. on  
the 17<sup>th</sup>. Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> got under weigh in Barpaulin  
Cove. at 5 A.M. & past out by Gay Head, with the  
wind from North, North West, & steered West South West  
at 1 A.M. past Block island, & at 10 past Montoe, Light  
House, Sunday came on the North East gale, of the 19<sup>th</sup>  
which ran us up to the Break water, inside the Capes  
of Delaware, where we anchored, at 8 P.M. in Company  
with the Barque Anna Reynolds, of Philadelphia, &  
Brig Swan, of Boston, after lying one day at the Break  
water, on account of head wind we got under weigh & sailed  
up the Bay towards Philadelphia where we arrived on  
the 22<sup>d</sup>, after lying two days & a half, we made out to sell both  
Fish & Mackerel, the former for 20¢ & the latter 3½¢ & 50¢  
After discharging our Cargo, which occupied 2½ days, we sailed  
for Delaware City to take in a Load of Corn for Boston  
where we arrived, on the evening of the 30<sup>th</sup>, & anchored off  
the wharf, in a ½ an hour, after, we was run in to, by the Steam  
Boat Baltimore, & carried away our, Pilboom & Cap, & part of



The Billet head, which caused the Capt. to take a trip  
 up to Philadelphia to replace the gib boom & Cap. again,  
 which cost 25 dollars, all on account of the Pilots Carlessmays  
 after taking in 4350 bushels of Corn here, we sailed for  
 Boston Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, in company with Brig Swan, after pass-  
 ing out by the Cape, we took a nice breeze from the South  
 West, which ran us in past Cape Hen, on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup>  
 & came to anchor in Buzzards Harbour, at 7 P.M., where  
 we lay till Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>, when we got under weigh,  
 & sailed down over Nantucket shoals with the wind from  
 the Westward, still in company with the Brig Swan, till  
 we arrived off Nossit Light's, which was about 4 P.M., where  
 we took the wind from the North West & blew very fresh, we  
 carried sail all night, pretty hard, & at 6 A.M. on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
 we past the Northern part of the Cape, at 7 P.M. it moderated  
 & started out to the Eastward & set in snowing very thick, &  
 not liking the time for Boston, we went into Provincetown  
 Harbour, where we anchored at 2 A.M. on the 13<sup>th</sup>, after  
 taking some few Passengers for Boston, we got under weigh  
 in P.M., at 8 A.M. with the wind from the S East, &  
 arrived in Boston at 9 P.M. & landed in at Commercial  
 wharf, after lying in Boston till the 18<sup>th</sup> we should  
 & sailed up the Chelsea to Discharge which we accom-  
 plished on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Delivered 400 Bushels to Adgey & Co.  
 & hauled & sailed back to Boston again in the evening of  
 the 19<sup>th</sup>. Having in 610 Bushels of Corn in hold, we were  
 ordered to Provincetown, where we arrived on the  
 the Cargo having overrun 260 Bushels. Messrs William  
 & Co takes 600 Bushels, so ends this voyage, all well &  
 & hearty, & as another Capt. or indenter to take charge of  
 the said James Porter. I consider this voyage as up, so  
 I take my ticket & walk, after being paid off 20 dollars &  
 cents for services on board, said James Porter of Provincetown  
 Joseph W. Luck Mate



A Journal of a Whale Cruise of Brig  
Medford, Providence William Dyer Master  
for North Atlantic, Sperm Whaling.

Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> February 1849

At 10 AM, got under weigh in Providence Harbor  
with the wind from South East & a thick snow storm  
& sailed in the Brig Medford for North Atlantic  
Ocean on a Cruise for Sperm Whales. At 6 PM  
took the wind from South West with a squall &  
& kept the ship South South East. At the close of the  
first day took the wind from the North West & con-  
tinued so for the two following days, when we took  
the wind more from the Westward & a very heavy  
swell from the North East, which made it very  
bad running, we took in closed reef topsail  
& ran under that & the fore sail. until we shipped  
a heavy sea, & washed off both the Quarter Boats &  
stove them very bad, called all hands & took them  
in, & ran till Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>, when we was  
obliged to heave the ship two under storm topsail  
February the 9<sup>th</sup> rather more moderate, got sail on  
the ship & ran till the 10<sup>th</sup>, when we took the wind  
from the South, which brought us down to storm  
topsail, again & kept on for 28 hours, in a very heavy  
gale, & bad sea running, at 4 AM on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
blew very hard from S by E, then shifted the N  
by E, & on the 14<sup>th</sup> shipped a very heavy sea & stove  
Quarter, fore & aft & on both sides, call all hands  
to free the ship she made my water very fresh on the 15<sup>th</sup>  
more moderate so that we got sail on the ship & pro-  
ceeded on our voyage for the West Indies where after  
light & baffling breezes from the S by S W, we arrived  
off the East end of Porto Rico on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February.



Continued,

March Thursday The 2<sup>d</sup> 1849.

Fresh Gales from South West. The whole 24 hours, & spiky from South West for the last week, but by a stand of wind we did make out, to fetch up through the Moon's Passage, here we saw the Brigs Jane Hows Provincetown Capt Nickerson, & wept out, Clear, & Brig America, at 4 P.M. spoke the Jane Hows & had a Gam with her, had seen no whales in the Passage since they had been here, had got 4 B. fish.

March Saturday The 4<sup>th</sup>. To day we saw a large School of Blackfish, the first we had seen since we left home, we lowered & chased them till we got tired in company with the parashow Boats but got nothing, they being wild, & the crew rather Green, which made it rather bad, so ends this day &

March Sunday The 5<sup>th</sup> 1849.

Most of the time from yesterday The 4<sup>th</sup> Fresh Gales from the Northward & quite rough. Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Jane Hows & Samuel Cook left for Samba, in company with Brig America, have seen nothing since the 4<sup>th</sup> but a few Blackfish the 10<sup>th</sup> but got none, & saw a number of Humpbacks, to day went in to Cape Roxo, & got a few oranges & some Fresh Fish. sold Beef at 10 cts per pound. Pork 15 cts, anchored the vessel within 1/2 mile of the shore in 10 fathoms water, got under weigh & stood out to sea, at 12 Noon so ends this day & all well & so



## Cruising in Portau Prince Bay,

Sunday April the 8th sea a cut 1849  
 va, till. After cruising in Louis  
 Bay, till we got tired we ran down the shore  
 & ran into Chalute Port, on the 3d, & got  
 Bazaras Plantains Coco nuts, & bore up  
 for Portau Prince Bay where we cruised  
 till the 8, & never saw but one school of  
 Blackfish without success, & C.

April Sunday the 16th 1849  
 after cruising in Portau Prince bay, little  
 over a week, & seeing, nothing but a few  
 Blackfish. we beat out, the Passage; found  
 the tide to be running very strong to  
 the westward, 13 & 14 & 15 M. blew fresh from  
 the N.E. & N.W.E., but to day moderate, &  
 smooth, with the from S.E. at 2 P.M. just  
 a school of whales, of some kind but it being  
 dark we could not make out what they  
 were, but I think myself, they were Sperm  
 Whales by the Boat steers account of them  
 for the Ground look the best, that I have  
 seen it since we have been here, so ends  
 this & C. Cape St Nicholas, bearing S by E, 130 m

April Friday the 20th 1849

To day light breezes from the South west; &  
 smooth at 8 A.M. saw a school of Blackfish  
 lowered & got 2. 2 barbed Boat & 1 d whist B  
 & killed another d ~~in~~ Boat. The looks very  
 good, at 12 was in lat 23° 30' Lon 72° 57'. P.M.  
 Whaling island bearing N by East



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April Saturday the 21st 1849

Fresh gales the whole day, saw nothing of any note till 9 AM when we saw the N side of Watling's island bearing S by W dist 14 m at 12 we put down the shore, about 3 miles therefrom, saw a small sloop running down the shore, which we afterwards learned was bound to Nassau New Providence, at 2 PM received a boat along side containing the head Porrie of the island, which was a negro about 28 years old, at 3 we came to anchor, in 4 fathoms water, rocky bottom.

April 24 & 25th 1849

Fresh breezes from the N. by E. & rough while getting our anchor on the south side of Watling's island we parted our chain & left the anchor we then went round to the North side to get vegetables, where we got 35 Bushels of 90 lbs per hundred Pounds, & Pumpkins at the same rate, selling Pork at 15 cts per pound we then got under weigh on the 25th & went round on the south side to try & get our anchor, it being rather rough we went back & in coming to anchor again we parted the other chain but the time we made out to get this one, Capt. Dyer went on shore & stayed 2 days while I went out with the ship to cruise

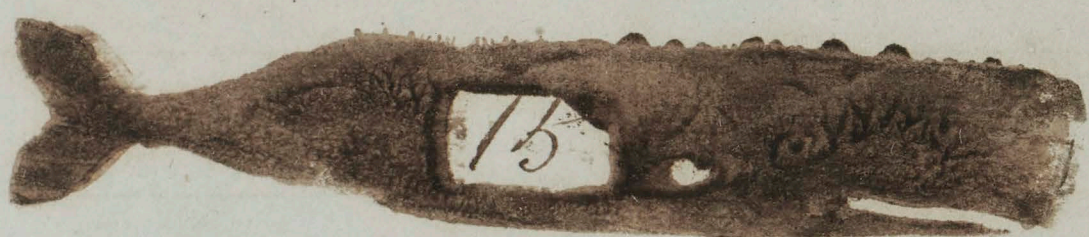


Bond for the Charleston Grounds  
April the 20<sup>th</sup> 1849.

After cruising for 2 days to the south  
ward of the island we went in & got the Captain  
& left for the Charleston Grounds with one  
Anchor, & 3 men short of a full crew  
saw nothing worth noticing till the 30<sup>th</sup>  
th when we came into water that looked very  
for Whales, & a plenty of Birds, so ends this  
Voy. Lat 27.45 N Lon 74.15 W

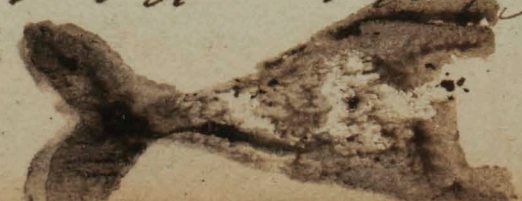
May Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1849

I lighted beacons from the N East, & saw the  
saw Co Barke standing to the N East.  
called it a merchantman, at 11 AM saw  
Breeches to the North East, at 3 PM made them  
out Sperm Whales, & two Boats, & struck one  
& saved him to the Larboard Boat, & put off to  
wards the shoals, they going quick gave them  
up & came on board, Lat 29.15 N  
Lon 74.40 West



May Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> 1849

All this 24 hours fresh gales from  
the South West, & thick heavy weather at 2 P  
M saw the Brig Lewis Bruce Provincetown  
3 weeks out, 25 Barrels Sperm, at 2 1/2 saw school  
of Sperm Whales, going quick to the Westward  
lowered & gave chase, but couldn't corner it  
at 4 PM saw whales again lowered when whale  
went down - dark before they came up, so lost  
them. so ends the day, Lat 30.21 Lon 74.09 1/2 W.





May Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> 1849

For the last 11 days, have seen nothing but a few killers. on the 13<sup>th</sup> spoke the schr Louise of N-town 5 weeks out, clean, 18<sup>th</sup> spoke the Brig Lewis Bruce, 25 barrells, on the 19<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> took a very gale of wind from the East North East, & by too under Bysail & foretop Staysail, & took in the main Boat, it blowed very hard & had a great deal of rain, on the 21<sup>st</sup> it moderated, & smoothened down so we could cruise, at 4 P.M. past, a large ship, with topgallant mast hoisted, & yards down, was at work in sending them up, so ends the week Sat 31<sup>st</sup> North  
Lon 44° 45' 45" West

May the 22<sup>nd</sup> 1849

First rate weather & smooth & light wind from S.W. by S, at 1 P.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales & after trying 3 or 4 times to get hold, made out to strike one to the starboard Boat, so ends this day, & C  
Lat 22° 10' N Lon 44° 50' 45" W



May the 24<sup>th</sup> 1849.

Fine weather & very smooth  
Light wind from S.W. by S, at 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales hauled to Eastward lowered & struck one to starboard Boat & hauld, the Whales put off to Westward, gave chase till 10 A.M. when we gave it up, at 6 P.M. saw them again, they being thicker, & near night could not get hold, so ends this day, Sat, 30<sup>th</sup> North  
Lon 45° 45' 45" West





Continued, May the 26th 1849

Fine weather & light winds from the Southward, & Westward & smooth at 7 AM Lower for a shoal of Blackfish, and saw the Lewis Bruce & Charles Allstrom, at 11 AM saw Lewis Bruce's Boat down, saw & saw a Sperm Whale going quick. at 11½ saw the Bruce taking a Whale along side, Tacked, & stood to Westward. at 3½ PM saw another shoal of Sperm Whales, Lowered & after trying 2 or 3 gave them up, they having been gallied by porpoises, at Dark took in sail &c Lat 30.22



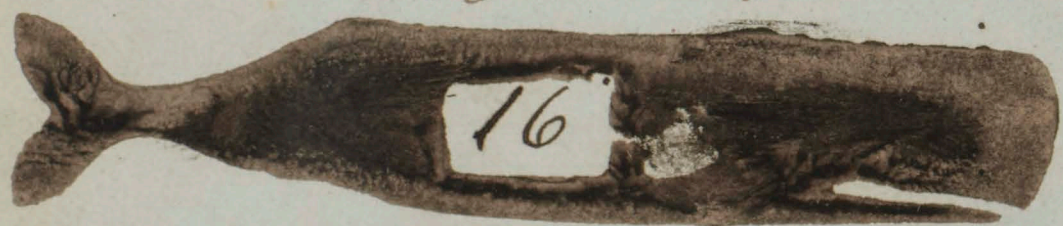
Lon 75.27.25

May the 27th. 1849. fine light gales from South West, at 8 PM saw a shoal of Sperm Whales to the westward, at 3½ PM lowered & tried 3 or 4 they being rather skittish could not get fast, gave them up at sunset, & took in sail Lat 30.32 N

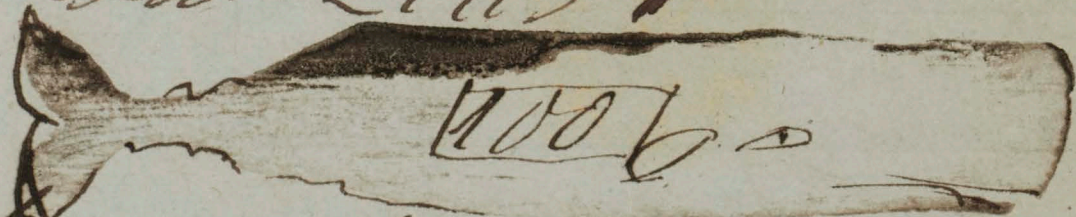


Lon 75.45.15 West.

May the 29th 1849, Fine weather, & light winds from S.W. at 1 PM saw a shoal of Sperm Whales, lowered & struck off to Starboard boat, at 4 PM struck a 20 barrel Whale to Starboard Boat, & drew, at sundown came along side & took in sail in company with Charles Allstrom 75.20.45 West



Lat 29.54



Drewed from 100 Barrels






June the 13<sup>th</sup> 1849.








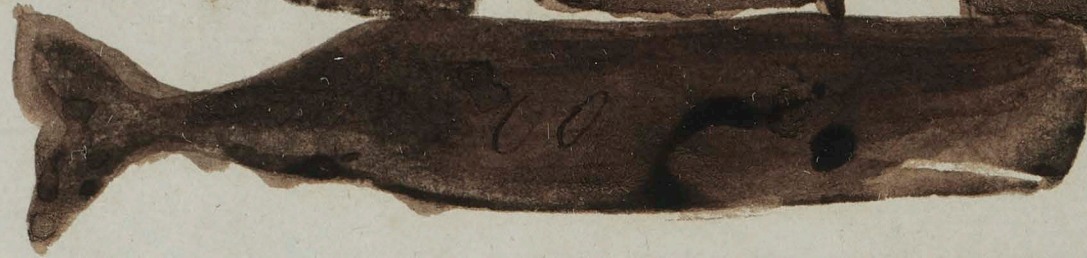
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After crying in Lat 29. to 31 $\frac{1}{2}$  for a couple of week longer we bore up for Bermuda, where we arrived on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June, after a passage of 5 days. on the 12 we spoke the Sch<sup>r</sup> Howard of New Haven, from New York, bound to St Kitts, from whom we got some Late Papers, & by his reckoning, we found our Longitude to be 35 miles to the East of where we actually were, when the island of Bermuda bore E. dist. 10 miles, we took a Pilot, and at 5 o'clock P.M. we came to anchor in St George's harbour, opposite to fort. The next day, we took another Pilot & beat up to the town & landed in to the Wharf, & commenced filling water from the tank of Dr. Hunter, at 40 cts per synechegon, here we filled 140 Barrels we then bought Linseed oil at 1 dollar & a quarter a gallon, & commenced painting the boats, & taking in potatoes & onion potatoes at D 1.25 a Bushel, onions at 1 dollar & a quarter a hundred, on the 4 day we found 1 man & 2 small Boys, whom we shipped, men being very scarce, but Soldiers could be had for the storing of them away, on the 16<sup>th</sup> the Charles Allstun came in with 30 Barrels of oil, on the 18 we got through with our business & at 12 o'clock the pilot came on board, when we got under weigh & sailed from Bermuda, & discharged Pilot



July the 2<sup>d</sup> 1849.

Fine weather & smooth. the whole week  
at 7 AM saw a large school of Blackfish  
lowered the two Sloopers Boats & gave chase  
got  the Sloopers Boat, made 2 1/2 Barrels  
at 12 o'clock to day was by obs 32° 16' Lon 45° 30'

        
July the 13<sup>th</sup> - 1849. 

Fair weather & pleasant, with light  
winds from S.W. in company with Barge  
Parker Cook of & from Provincetown, Capt  
John Cook 2 1/2 mos. out, 150 Barrels at 6 1/2 P  
while standing to Southward, saw a large Sperm  
Whale & 5 miles to windward going very quick  
Parker Cook having got one large one. Lat 35° 20'  
Lon 45° 15' 15" West. 



July the 15<sup>th</sup> 1849

Pleasant breezes from South west first  
part the day last part from Eastward  
Parker Cook in sight cutting in her  
Whale, at 10 AM saw the carcass thought  
it a live one but got sucked in, saw a num  
ber of sail passing to N.W. South, so ends



July the 26<sup>th</sup> 1849



Fine weather & very pleasant light winds  
from Eastward at 9 AM saw a school  
of small Sperm Whales, lowered & gave  
chase, going very quick could not get past, so  
we give them up Lat 35° 15', Lon 46° 15' 15" W



August the 6<sup>th</sup> 1849

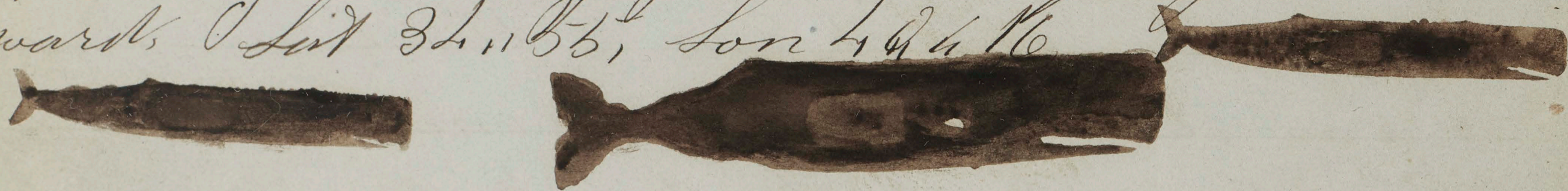
Fine weather, but rather strong wind from the Westward at 8 AM saw a large school of large & small, Sperm Whales. at 4 PM struck a large one to starboard Boat, & engaged her, & run the line, picked the crew up in the Starboard Boat, & struck another a small one, & stove the Starboard Boat to pieces, struck one to the waist Boat & was obliged to cut, & one & pick up the Starboard & Starboard Boats, crews at 5 PM lowered & tried to strike the large whale again but could not come it quite so out of a 150 Barrels that was struck we never got a smell of a whale to show for it, so we took up the other two Boats & left the Starboard Boat to drink her fill in water. Lat 34° 20' Lon 45° 15'





August the 7th 1849

Fresh gales & very rough wind from Southward & westward, heavy swell from the North West. at 8 A.M. saw a number shoal of large sperm Whales, going very quick to the windward, at 11 we lowered two Boats & chased them but could not get hold, at 12 came on board & gave them up, they having gone out of sight to windward. Lat 34.55, Lon 44.16



August the 16th 1849

2<sup>nd</sup> Fine weather & light breezes from the South West, at 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales, headed to the N.E. lowered the Boats & gave chase, they being a little skittish we could not get, went on board & let them go 2 or 3 hours, when we lowered again they came together, & gathered up in a heap, after waiting for 2 hours or more they started off to S.W. so we got none of them. Lat 34.30 Lon 40.39,





August the 18<sup>th</sup> 1849

Fine weather The whole day & calm  
most of the time saw a large number  
of Grampuses & porpoises at 4 P.M.  
Lowered two Boats for a large Sperm Whale  
but sun set before we got to him so ended  
Lat 34° 28' 30" Lon 40° 30' 45" W.B.



August the 20<sup>th</sup> 1849

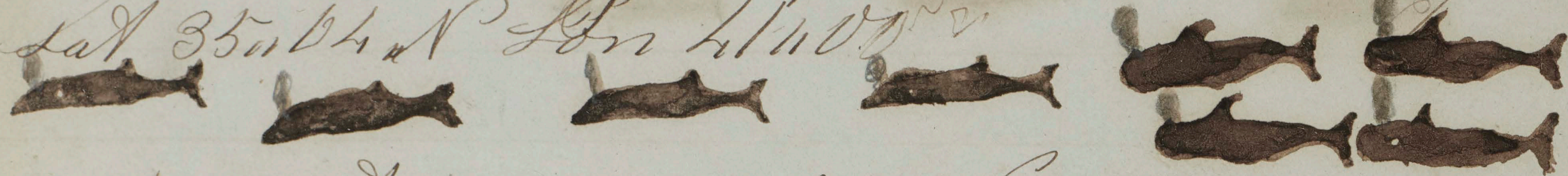
Fine weather, & light winds from  
the westward at 11 A.M. saw a school of large  
Sperm Whales, Lowered & after waiting for a  
chance to get on, we got one to Surber's Boat  
Lt Barth, & struck another to the Main Boat  
at 4 P.M. took him along side, at 6 A.M.  
on board Barque Louise from Barb 20 days  
out & got some Papers, Lat 34° 44' Lon 41° 10'





August, The 22<sup>d</sup> 1849

Fine weather & light winds from the Eastward at 6 A.M. saw a large school of Blackfish & porpoises hauled by S.W. at 4 P.M. saw Grampuses, Breaching Lat 35° 44' N Lon 41° 00' W



August 23<sup>d</sup>, 1849,

Fine weather & light winds from E.S.E. at 11 A.M. got through stormy down, to day saw another school of B. Fish, whale made 30 Barrels

August, The 25<sup>th</sup> 1849

Fine weather & light winds from S.W. saw a number of Grampuses, & plenty of B. & m. tows, & albacores. Lat to day was by obs. 34° 59' Lon 40° 48'

September, The 7<sup>th</sup> 1849

Fine weather, but light & baffling winds from S.W. & Western gales, to day hauled new topgallant sail & new topsail, & repaired the Foregail. Saw a school of Grampuses & a school of Porpoises, & large schools of B. m. tows & albacores all round the ship caught a number of them,

Lat 33° 40' Lon 40° 00'

Sept The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>d</sup> 1849, First day heavy Gale from S.E. & heavy showers of rain 2<sup>d</sup> day heavy Gale from S.W. ship lying too much a by sail at 2 P.M. lost the Mast Boat, & took in Lardour's Boat, got a large Dory, over board, & pulled out 30 fathoms of small chain, so on 3<sup>d</sup>



September The 9<sup>th</sup> 1849

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Fine weather & light & baffling winds  
from S & S.W. very heavy swell from the  
N.E. to day all hands employed in loading  
ship requiring W by N. with whole sail for home  
of fore topgallant sail set for lower. Studding sail  
at 12 lat 32 1/2 lon 44 53

September The 11<sup>th</sup> 1849

First part of the 24 hours Fresh Gale  
from the South West, & very rough, with heavy  
squalls of wind & rain ship standing to S.W.  
under closed reef top sail foresail & Stopsail & Try sail  
Last part light winds & baffling, still very rough  
to ship standing W. under whole sail. To day the  
Ground looks good. no observation.

September The 12<sup>th</sup> 1849

First part of the day Calm last part  
light wind from the N.W. at 8 AM  
Lowered one Boat for Blackfish but got  
none. Lat to day 30.00 Lon 41.27

September The 23 1849

From Sept. 12 till the 23 saw Black  
Fish once light winds from the south  
& westward till the 16 when took a heavy Gale  
from South the 22 took another storm  
from S. & backed round to the N.E. & then  
heavy took in the Boats, & now under close  
reef top sail & foresail, last part the fine weather  
and from N.W. saw a Bark bound E. & S. & S. E.  
Lat 35 20 Lon 64



September the 26<sup>th</sup> 1849

All this 24 hours Fresh Gale from S<sup>W</sup> & clear, at 4 P.M. found the Larboard fore topmast Back stay had strander knotted it & stood on our course again at 8 A.M. frayed ourselves across the gulf stream, saw a shoal of Black Fish, at 12 Lat by obs 39. 03, Long by Chs 66. 09 by Dead Reckoning 66. 19

September the 29 1849

First part of this 24 hours fresh Gale from the S<sup>W</sup>, & squally, saw a number of sail bound E, & S, at 3 P.M. carried away the jib boom & flying jib boom rigged another & kept the ship off N<sup>W</sup>W just over the S E part of St George's Bank, at 9 P.M. at 11 P.M. Sounder I had 30 fathoms Steerer N<sup>W</sup>W, at 10 had 25, at 11 30, at 12 25, at 2 A.M. had 30, at 3 A.M. 20, at 4 A.M. 25 at 5 20 at 6 11, at 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  saw the south shoal of Nantucket, & the island, wore ship & ran E S E, between the New & old soft shoal having from 15 & 20 fathoms, to 8 and 5 fathoms, lost through 3 or 4 heavy rips, went over the fishing rip in 8 fathoms & deepened off in 25 fathoms, & hauled up N<sup>W</sup>W at 9 past Sandy point Nantucket, at 12 off Monrovy, Sandy point Chronometer in Error. 30 miles to the E



~~November~~ October 1

September the 30 1849.

First part of the 24 hours, fine winds from S E, & N E, at 4 P.M. abreast of the 3 lights of Cape Cod, at 8 abreast of Highland Light, at 12 mid night abreast of Race Point Light. - & beat up the shore, & at 1 P.M. passed the light, on Long point & came to anchor, in Provincetown harbor, in  $3\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms water, furled all sail, & went on shore at 2 A.M., so ends the voyage of Brig Medford, with 100 Barrels of Spinnec, oil, after the an absence of 8 months.



















# Cruise of the Willis Putnam, April 20 1850.

At 8 AM got under weigh in Providence town Harbor, & sailed for the Charleston Ground, to cruise for Whales, very good weather for the season, quite moderate & foggy for 2 or 3 days, after crossing the Gulf, saw one school of Blackfish & a school of Porpoises & captured one, moderate weather up to Sunday the 28th, which is very good weather, & clear & light breeze from the westward, Lat at 12 33 N, Lon

## May Thursday the 2d 1850

Clear & breeze from the Eastward saw a number of fin backs, the last 2 or 3 days, blew fresh, never lowered the boat Thursday, at 8 AM saw a wreck, at 10 came up with it & went out to see the her, she proved to be the schr. Thomas Cash, of New haven, nearly coppers to light water mark, her spars, laid along side, very sharp build keel up, bowsprit 12 feet under water at 4 PM left her, on account of weather being rough, it breezing very fast, took among side one spar. for fire wood, made sail to westward, at sunset took in sail & hove too, at 12 next day, in Lat. 30, 00 Lon 74 00



May Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Pleasant. Gales from the E. & S.E. ship running to the westward. This day saw a shoal of Cow fish, & a Grampus ~~and~~, saw a Barque standing to the N.E. at 4 A.M. saw a whaling Barque, standing to the Eastward, under short sail, fresh Gales from the Southward Lat 30° 49' Lon 74° 58'

May Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> 1850.

First part of this day fine weather, & pleasant gales from S.W., last part squally from the Westward, with rain took a heavy squall from the westward & took in all sail, at 12 fair weather again. Lat. 31° 06' Lon 75° 20'

May the 12<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Fresh Gales, from all points of the Compass, & very squally, with considerable rain. The 9<sup>th</sup> took a heavy storm of wind & rain, & much thunder & lightning very gusty, & by 12 hours, wind from S.W. to N.West. saw nothing saw nothing in the Whaling Line except a few Grampuses, saw about 16,000. Lat. 30°

May the 18 1850. Fresh Gales for the last 3 days & very squally with heavy rain from the S. S.E. S.W. & N.W. & N.E. ship lying too most of the time under short sail till the 17<sup>th</sup> when it cleared off with the wind from E. round to S.West again, & more rain,



May Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> 1850 sea coast,

Fresh Gale from the South West, & very rough. At 1/2 past two, saw a shoal of Sperm Whales going very quick to the Westward, Lowered two Boats & full foot for them, at 5 P.M. gave up the chase, & came on board, Lat 34° 30' L 76° 00'

May Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> 1850.

First part of this 24 hours pleasant gales from the South West, & hazy, with short & ruggy sea, at 12 mid night took a heavy squall from the Westward took in fore & mainsail & bysail & scudded to the S.E. at 1 P.M. brought the ship too under bysail with headed to westward at 2 P.M. more moderate but very rough, with heavy showers & lightning at 4 P.M. fair weather, Lat at 12 30° 39' 15" L 76° 00'

Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> 1850

Fine weather, & very smooth with light winds from the Eastward at 5 P.M. Lowered for a shoal of Black fish struck 3 & saved 2 which made 21 Barrells & carried the day

Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Thick weather, with light spinnel of rain at 8 A.M. spoke the Brig Providence from Cetown 3 months out 60, sperm, by his loss, on Chormoensis 3 degrees, out of the way, Sunday gained, & regulated her, Lon 77° 19' 30" 30'



June Friday the <sup>1st</sup> 7th 1850

Fresh gales from the off ship standing to the South. at 3 P.M. spoke the E. Nickerson of & from Provincetown, & gained, saw whales off Elbo reef & struck one, & lost him call him Ed Barrett. stow saw one shoal of Blackfish got none

June Saturday the 8th 1850

All this 24 hours very light breeze from the Eastward at 2 P.M. saw breeze at 12 lowered for Blackfish & got one to waist Boat. so ends this day. Lat 32. 30 N Lon 77. 33

June the 30th 1850,

From the above date to the present time, have seen nothing of any consequence, with a few Black Fish, & Killers w<sup>o</sup> of the first we took, spoke the union of Provincetown, 25 Barrells of sperm. 25th worked down toward. Bussardas, No day spoke a Brig from Cadix, some. Grampuses to day

July the 1st 1850,

This day spoke the Lagrange from the Pacific, 2000 Barrells, of oil 1000 Sperm Bound to new Bedford, 5 years, from home. at 1 P.M. saw a shoal of Large Sperm Whales Lowerd & gave chase, after trying one or two, the whales started of very quick. gave up the chase & took up the Boat. Lat 32. 30 N Lon 66. 20 West



July The 3<sup>d</sup> 1850.

This day at 7 AM, saw the island of Bermuda, at 11 The Pilot came on board we bargained for some Potatoes & onions, at 2 PM spoke with & gained with her she had 80 Barrell of sperm, at 8 PM. came on board. The Franklin, kept off to the Eastward, we laid by till

July, The 1<sup>st</sup>. 1850.

This day, The Anniversary of American independence, fired a salute of 6 roquets, and sent in shore a gunnery got a sort of Fowl. at 1 PM, the the boat. came off with the vegetables, & squared away to the Eastward, at 6 AM, July the 5 saw a large vessel bottom up Parished Green, called her 173 tons, Looked as though she had been in the water about 3 months. she had been settled

July The 28 1850

From July The 1 up to the present time seen nothing but one school of Blackfish, July the, 27<sup>th</sup> spoke the Charles Allbirds, 3 months out clear. July the 28 the spoke the Bark President Capt Loul. 750 sperm 32 25 Lon 45 07



August The 1<sup>th</sup> 1850

Fine weather & pleasant gales from  
the Eastward. have seen nothing  
since the C Allstun, till to day  
when we saw a sail standing S E  
August 7<sup>th</sup>. spoke ship The Louisa 20  
Barrells Specim. to day saw a number of  
Breeches, called them Grampuses.  
Lat 32<sup>o</sup> 30 Lon 43<sup>o</sup> 20.

August The 13<sup>th</sup> 1850

Fine weather & light breezes from  
S E. at 5 AM spoke the Sch. Walter R  
of & from Provincetown. 30 barrels of Specim  
had struck & lost one large whale & lost  
one man. Drowned the gamen till 7 PM,  
came on board & headed to the E N E  
August The 14<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Fine pleasant  
weather & light winds from S E. at 5 past 8  
AM saw 2 large whales. lowered & chased  
they being so thick could not get on till 6 PM  
when we struck one to Harbours Boat. & caprig  
ed, he could not get a good sum at her.  
got fast to her in the main boat. The line  
pouled was obliged to cut. The line at 7 1/2 PM  
cut from her in the starboard Boat. & went  
on board. Lost the Harbours Boat after getting  
her along side she turned over & parted  
the p<sup>the</sup> gunner. Lat at 12 about 33<sup>o</sup> 30  
Lon 43<sup>o</sup> 40.



September the 14th 1850

Fine weather & light winds from the South East. at 2 P.M. kept the ship off for Barbados, see nothing worth noting till Sept the 20 when we took a heavy gale from the East North East, at 8 A.M. sent down topsail & fore yard, & took in all the Boats. wind kept shifting to the North so the ship lay very well indeed, 10 P the wind moderated, & shifted to the westward 21st. fine weather again wind from the S.W. 25 sent up the yards again & set the topsail.

October the 2 saw the Island of Barbados bearing W. Dist 40 miles at 2 P.M. took 2 Blackfish at sunset hove too till morning wore ship at 12, so ends the day.

October the 3 1850.

Fine weather & light winds from the Eastward, at 6 P.M. past the isle of Barbados, & steered for St. Vincent's & so ends this day.

October the 4th 1850.

Fine weather, but cloudy, N end of St. Vincent's bearing S at 4 P.M. saw Blackfish several & took 3, so ends this day. Light rains at night, &c.

October the 5th 1850, all this 24 hours very rainy & squally, at 6 A.M. lowered for black fish, but could not hold to them, dived from 2. at 1 P.M. came to anchor in 11 fathoms water.



October the 6<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Fine weather & pleasant & at 8 AM  
let the crew go on shore on liberty it being  
Sunday did no work. at 6 PM 5 men  
Deserted, so ends this day crew fighting, oblige  
to the one.

October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Fine weather, & light variable winds, at  
6 AM, took the cast on shore to fill water.  
at 3 PM got through, having filled about  
90 Barrells. at 10 one of the Deserters returned.  
at 6 The remaining part of the crew came off  
& Deserted their Duty because the captain  
refused to give them more liberty. The capt  
was obliged to go on shore, for the civil  
authorities, so ends this day.

October the 8<sup>th</sup> 1850

This day begins with light winds  
& happing. to day the capt ain went  
to Kingstown for the Authorities to get  
the 5 Deserters, so ends this day.

October the 9<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Fine weather, & light happing winds  
The Capt. still at Kingstown, &  
& all the men off Duty. The Capt waiting  
on the American Council, so ends this day.

October the 10<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Light winds from all point, at 5  
AM got underway for Kingstown  
all the men still off Duty. 3 PM  
came to anchor in Kingtown, so ends  
this day.



October, Thursday the 11 1850

Light wind & baffling, at 8 A.M. the captain & Officers went on shore to the consul, at 2½ the consul came off the vessel & examined the men. The Cook & John Cross, went to their duty, the remaining part still persisting in denying their duty at 5 the consul, went on shore & away.

Friday the 12 sea and 1850

Fine weather & light wind & baffling, at 1 the Police came off & took the men on shore, & conveyed them to the station house, from there to the Magistrate to have their trial. They were found guilty for two acts, one committed them for 30 the other for 90 days imprisonment, so ends.

October, the 13 1850, fine weather light & baffling, wind most of the day. At 11 got through with the men, could not commit the men to jail for the want of proper authority at 12 got under weigh & put to sea, at 1 took a squall from the eastward, saw large shoals of Blackfish for the want of a crew, could not lower for them having but one man before the mast soon.



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October The 17 1850

Fine weather & light winds from the E  
& very smooth. nothing of any note, occurred, while  
passing the islands, untill to day when we were in  
Lat 19° 10' Lon 63° 35'. saw a large shoal of Blackfish  
lowered down & struck one large one to the Larboard  
Boat, & killed another but lost him, cut him in  
kept the ship her course, again, so ends the day.

October Sunday The 20 The 1850

Fine fresh gales from the Eastward  
& very pleasant. The ship running off  
North West have seen nothing  
since the 17, but one sail bound to  
the North West, so ends the day  
Lat at noon 22° 49'. Lon at 3 PM 68.

October The 26, 1850

Fresh gales from the South  
West & squally with rain  
at 5 PM saw a large shoal  
of small Sperm Whales  
having but one boat crew, &  
suffered squally at that did not  
lower, Lat 34° 39' N 73° 10' W.

Oct 27 1850 Fresh gales from  
W & NW & very squally, with rain,  
took in all sail but 2 reef fore sail  
& lay too about 4 hours, when we made  
short sail again Lat 35° 30' Lon



Sunday the 3<sup>d</sup> 1850 Nov

From Oct the 27<sup>th</sup> Fine smooth weather & light winds from the Eastward, till Nov the 3<sup>d</sup> when at 10 AM saw Long Island bearing North North West Dist 20 miles saw a number of vessels bound E & west. Light winds all day, so ends day saw a number of Blackbirds, 50 miles from Land, bound to ESE.

November the 5<sup>th</sup> 1850.

From the 3<sup>d</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> calms & thick at times, & very smooth, till the 5<sup>th</sup> when we took a light wind from the SE & SSE & past Long Neck Light at 10 1/2 AM, past several sails, steering different ways



July <sup>26</sup> spoke the Brig Macdonald of Liverpool  
 Capt Hurlbuck from Rio Grande bound to Liverpool  
 I supplied him with one cask of Bread, some  
 barrels of Beef some molasses and Oil he  
 was 60 days from the Equator.

Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> spoke the ship  
 Brooklyn Capt Noorie from New London  
 14 days from home. from him I obtained 30  
 barrels of cask and 20 barrels of water of which  
 I was rather short having but 10 barrels on  
 board to last us to America which is about  
 18 hundred miles and we have 22 men.

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> spoke the Bark Serboon's  
 from Marsells bound to New York  
 Capt Lambell. all well.



Journal of A Whaling Voyage in  
the Brig A. Dickerson of Provincetown  
in the North Atlantic Ocean  
Commanded by Capt Francis  
B. Buck.

Friday Dec <sup>the</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1850.

At 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>, we  
got underway in Provincetown  
Harbor, with the wind from the W. &  
N.W. pleasant, & put to sea, on a  
whaling voyage, at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past one P.M. for  
St. The Light house on Race Point, &  
ran down the sunny shores of Cape  
Cod, past the Cape Cod Light house  
at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M., Nasset Lights at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , & 8 P.M.  
past Chatham Lights, & steered  
E.S.E. with the wind more from the  
North, had a very good run till Dec.  
the first when we took the wind from S. &  
S.W. & blew very heavy, the vessel being very  
deep made a great deal of water. It con-  
tinued to blow very heavy, & heavy squalls  
of wind & rain, & a very heavy sea running  
from the South West. when we  
had got down in the Lat. of 51, we had  
rove too, no less than 4 times, & were  
a full mile off Marazion & Dray,  
lost 2 Drags picked off our jib & flying  
jib-boom, stove the Stern Boat, & pierced  
& damaged some provisions, washed the  
warst Boat from the Harbours crux,  
where we had put her for safe keeping, & when



sea broke into her & broke her in two  
& lost some oars, & a sail.

January the 10 1851. The weather had  
become more settled, so that we could  
sail under, closed & double reefed &  
for sail, never saw any thing in  
shape of whale. Till Jan. the 15 when  
we saw some Black fish & a few Fin  
backs. in Lat 22 & Lon 24 & 26. The  
ground looked very good for whales.  
plenty of Bullock Whales, bright eyes & squ  
id, & squid spurs, a number of Dol  
phins, birds & hornedoes. Fur seals, & a  
few blackfish. The weather fine, & smooth  
but cloudy. you could scarcely get an  
observation of the sun or moon. The wind  
from the South East to South West all  
ternately. had we not been in a great  
hurry to get to the Cape Verde islands, wher  
e we were bound, we should have cruised  
there, a while. we took the Grader winds in  
about the Lat of 22. Lon 23. from the E &  
ESE fresh at times & usually, with light rain  
& on the 23 at 4 PM saw the isl of said &  
Salt island, where we anchored, in six  
& 1/2 fathoms, of water. The American con  
sul's flag, staff bearing ENE. Dist from  
the shore 1/2 or 3/4 of a mile. & commenced  
fitting & refitting the vessel, & replacing the  
dunnage down in the gulf. Beacon  
sent down dog gallant mast & yard. on a  
visit of heavy weather. in this place.  
we saw a number of brigs & Barque bound



inn for Salt, which may be had in  
 a bar-dance. There is a Consul, or  
 Vice consul, who has two Brothers, with  
 him & who will do all the american  
 business on the most reasonable terms  
 There further being one of the early settlers  
 they Monopolize most of the Trade in  
 3 or 4 of the adjacent islands, you are allo-  
 wed to Trade any small article but Beef  
 Flour, & such like provisions There is a  
 heavy Duty, but by entering at the custom  
 House, & compromising with the consul  
 he will make things right so that  
 a whaler need not to have any trouble  
 what ever, we bought a Whale Boat  
 here & paid 25 dollars, by putting in  
 3 or 4 new planks we made out to  
 make her float, paid for her in  
 Beef & Pork, after lying in to St. Marys  
 about a week, we got under weigh &  
 went down to Modderig Bay, & chased  
 humpbacks, 2 or three times in com-  
 pany with the Barges, Willis & Pres-  
 ident. They came in to whale for hump-  
 backs, which come in there about  
 the middle of February, to calve.  
 Tuesday February the 4. we left sight  
 of Isle of Sal, & stood out the ESE, saw  
 a number of humpbacks, & black-  
 sh, reaching from the land. Wed-  
 nesday the 5. at 4 P.M. saw a school of  
 sperm whales, reaching to the ESE  
 & breaching, a good part of the time



we lowered the Larboard & waist Boats  
& went down, to them, went on in Lar  
board Boat, & missed, the Waist Boat,  
went on & struck, one. The rest made  
off, to the S.W. & S. The sark heavy, & we  
never got him along side till dusk it  
being quite rough. He made 40 barrels.  
Lat 16.24 Lon 20 11 31.



From the 5 to the 15 had very fine  
weather & very smooth wind mostly  
from the N.E. to E.N.E, where we took  
Fresh Budes again, saw a great num  
ber of Black fish all making to  
the N.E. very quick, & very shy, Bryer  
400 times & struck but 3 & lost them



founder that while on the green  
water saw large numbers of squid, Bu  
ck bones, Porpoises Blackfish pinibucks  
Surf fish, bright eyes, & tulle drops &  
large quantities of squid & squid spawn

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Got under way at Porto St Mary in Island of  
S. Cape Verd. Run around to the west side  
of the Island in Mocharie Bay. In a beautiful  
Bay it is too good anchorage. in eight fathoms of  
water. abundance of Fish, Groupers, Snappers, and  
various other kinds. At the time in company with  
the Sarks Resident Captain Loub of Mattiposte  
five months out clean, also the Willis of Westport  
Capt Briggs, eight months out & eighty barrels  
Sperm Oil. This Mochara Bay, is a great place  
for hump Backs, they come in this shoal water to  
calve. As for the Island there is not much produce  
of any kind except is Salt which is made here spontaneous  
it is in fact all that keeps the Island alive. there  
is however a few vegetables raised here but scarcely  
enough for the consumption of the inhabitants  
There is good water to be had at Pt Palmyra  
Bay which is to the North of Mochara Bay six miles  
The inhabitants are mostly negroes, an rather an  
indolent, ignorant, and poor race, many of them  
Slaves, those who are not are worse off than the slaves  
except in that freedom of mind which we Americans  
esteem above every other blessing. There is however  
quite a number of families who are wealthy intelligent  
and accomplished. Among them is the Martins who  
own most of the Island. They are men I esteem very  
highly. Likewise the Leuzers, there are some others  
who I am not acquainted with. This Mochara Bay  
is a good place for ships to resort, who may have  
met with accident and want to repair, but it is  
not allowed to anchor there on any other condition by  
their government.



in the Brig O. Nickerson of Provincetown. A. B. Duck 1851

Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Brig Lying at anchor in Madiera Bay in company with the above Bark's I went on board of the Bark. President Capt. Loub. also Capt. Briggs was there spent a very pleasant afternoon and evening. It was the first time I had seen an American since. I had left home. Stopped on board until ten o'clock we then separated each going to his own ship very well pleased.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

4. Rose up anchor. At 6 A.M. saw a number of Hump Backs chased them could not get hold. At 10 A.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish got none of them. worked out to the Eastward of the L. on the saw a number of Blackfish in the course of the day got none. so ends this day. Lat. 21. Mary bearing West South West. dist 10 miles

Tuesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day the Island of L. in sight the weather fine wind N.E. ship standing E. S. E. saw Blackfish and porpoises, saw nothing more of any account left of the Island. At 6 P.M. so ends this day

Wednesday February 5<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with fine weather the wind N.E. ship standing E. S. E. saw Porpoises. lots of ones on the water. at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales. Lowered took one along side. latter part strong breeze and rough. the whales were going to the Eastward so ends this day. Lat. 16-23 = Long 20-67 =



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Irish braces from the N.E. cutt in the above  
Whale took his head in whole when it came in it  
hooked the rail cracked on stanchion it being very  
rough. wore ship and set the works a going so ends this day

Lat 16-15- Long 20-35

Friday February 7<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather ship standing to the E.S.E. the ground  
looking quite hazy. saw Porpoises Flying Fish bright eye  
Drops, clams &c. Sheepkeeper cut his leg with a spade  
so ends this day Lat 16-07- Long 19-35

Saturday February 8<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather still boiling. saw Porpoises Blackfish  
&c. nothing worthy of notice happened at 11 P.M. finished  
boiling so ends this day Lat 16-26- Long 20-05

Sunday February 9<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather. Stowed down 35 barrels  
of Sperm Oil. cleared up decks and washed off saw  
Porpoises, Bonnetts, &c. so ends this day Lat 16-20-20-08

Monday February 10<sup>th</sup>

Irish winds from the N.E. ship standing to the S.E.  
at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish did not lower  
so ends this day Lat 15-54- Long 19-00

Tuesday February 11<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all these twenty four hours saw an  
abundance of Porpoises in Backs the wind N.E.  
so ends this day Lat 16-42-19-40

Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather plenty of Porpoises in Backs  
caught one lampfish so ends this day Lat 16-45 Long 20-00



Thursday February 13<sup>th</sup>

All of this day very fine weather ship standing to the Eastward. at 4 P.M. saw many Black Fish struck two lost them both. so ends this day Lat 16-40-19-08

Friday February 14<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather. ship standing to the East at 10 A.M. lowered for Blackfish got none. at 2 P.M. lowered again met the same success so ends this day

Lat 16-48-Long 19-00

Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fine weather light wind saw nothing at all. Last part fresh winds and haze so ends this day Lat 16-45-Long 19-30

Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fresh breeze at A.M. very thick seeing saw nothing but one Pinback ship standing at W. h. lying too all day so it ends. Lat 17-10-Long 19-45

Monday February 17<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong winds saw nothing of any kind at 10 run off to the S.E. last part fine weather light wind so ends this day Lat 17-30-Long 19-00

Tuesday February 18<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fresh gale at 10 A.M. saw a brack. at 12 M. saw a sulphur bottom at 4 P.M. saw Porpoises, small fish in abundance. Lat 16-40-18-36

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

First part of this day light wind few large number of Porpoises. at 10 in sight of the coast of Africa at 4 P.M. fresh breeze so ends this day Lat 16-35-Long 17-50



Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> of February

First part of this day fresh trades ship standing  
N. N. W. first part saw several finbacks. at  
6 P. M. saw a Bark to the leeward supposed it  
to be a Whale. so ends this day Lat 16-20 Long 20-07

Friday February 21<sup>st</sup>

All of this day fresh trades saw several Fin Backs  
and Porpoises. at 10 saw a Bark to the leeward  
called it the President. so ends this day Lat 16-40-20-10

Saturday February 22<sup>nd</sup>

All this day fresh trades saw several sail. at 10 A. M.  
spoke the Bark President. she had 80 barrels sperm  
heard from the Bark Willis she had 180 barrels sperm  
heard from the Samuel Thomas had 260 barrels sperm  
so ends this day all well Lat 16-40 Long 20-25

Saturday February 23<sup>rd</sup>

All this day fresh trades ship lying two mch short sail  
saw a Brig to leeward called it the March. also several  
Merchant ships running S. S. W. so ends this day Lat 17-35 Long 20-05

Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong trades saw nothing at all ship lying  
two mch short sail. search this day Lat 17-33-19-40.

Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh trades and heavy sea ship lying two  
mch short sail saw a number of Fin Backs  
so ends this day Lat 17-25 Long 19-20

Wednesday February 26<sup>th</sup>

This day good weather made all sail run south west  
saw one Finback. at 4 P. M. wore ship about south  
E so ends this day Lat 16-20-Long 20-07.



Thursday February 27<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong trades ship standing N N W. saw several Pinbacks several merchant ships abunder of Rock Weeb. so ends this day Lat 16-5- Long 20-25-

Friday February 28<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong trades ship standing N N W. saw one Pinback so ends this day Lat. 17-13- Long 22-19

Saturday Feb. March 1<sup>st</sup>

First part of this day fresh trades last part into moderate ship running for Ish Lab. at 3 P M saw the at 5 passed by Port of Mary signalled with the American Comsil saw several Hump Backs at 8 P M came to anchor in Mochira Bay so ends this day Salt Island.

Sunday February March 2<sup>nd</sup>

All this in Mochira Bay at 4 A M got under weigh and broke small anchor going off on in the Bay at 4 P M came to anchor so ends this day Salt Island

Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

All day light commenced breaking out holeb. at 1 A M saw a hump back. Lowered two boats Mr Ryder being sick at 8 A M struck the calf got him spouting blood then H struck the cow. The run was all over the day 6 or 8 times in deep water and shoal. could not get a lance at him in forward shot & in two bomb lances he appeared not to notice it much but we killed him at last took him along side 5 miles off shore towed him in to the boat and anchored at 10 P M so ends this day



Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather at 6 A.M. commenced cutting in the whale finished at 3 P.M. saw 6 soldiers and one custom house Officer come down to the beach hollabared to me also begged for me to come on shore paid no attention to them when I finished cutting got under weigh stood up the Bay and set the works again, cleared up deck &c.

Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup>

All this day good weather lying off the Island still boiling saw several hump backs but no calves. saw a water boat bound to Madryra bay after water did not speak to us end this day.

Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh tracks lying along the bay under short sail. saw hump backs but no calves.

Friday March 7<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day moderate last part fresh tracks at 11 P.M. finished boiling.

Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day moderate at 6 A.M. saw a hump back with a shoal of kilts around her like was a small calf killed the whales that he along side at 8 A.M. commenced cutting in in 3 fathoms water killed one or two kilts got none.



Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup>

This day fresh trades boiling at 4 P M saw the Bark Willis coming in Capt Briggs came on board. spent the afternoon took tea next on board of his vessel he hoisted up for St Vincent. The Bark Samuel & Thomas Mettāposite aft. Embarked capt Briggs went on board of her stopped the evening. so ends this day

Monday March 10<sup>th</sup>

This day fresh trades at 11 A M capt Embarked came in and anchored. came on board at 2 P M. he had 260 barrels of Spm. spent the afternoon took tea went home again we still boiling.

Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>

This day fresh trades still boiling. Went on board of the Samuel & Thomas. lined and took tea. struck one hump back cut the line on account of a snarl. lost the

Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>

This day finished boiling and stowing down 100 barrels of Hump back oil the same & Thomas went to Palmyra Bay for water cleared up decks &c.

Thursday March 13<sup>th</sup>

This day fine weather went to Palmyra Bay to see about water. saw the Brig Amari in 14 months and 200 barrel spm. we could get no water went back to Madra Bay



Friday March 14<sup>th</sup>

All this day employed in fixing ship, repairing sails, nailing copper and doing all necessary work for sea service so ends this day

Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>

This day fresh tracks went up to Palmyra Bay, saw Capt Lumbard there took in 35 barrels of water and run back, so ends this day

Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day stormy down the water we got the day before, at 4 P.M. went to sea, fresh breeze, so ends this day ship standing N. N. W. all twelve

Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day ship heading N. N. W. much short sail fresh tracks, saw plenty of Porpoises, at 4 P.M. tacked ship stood to the Eastward, so ends this day Lat, 18-00 Long 24-20

Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh tracks ship standing E. S. E. much short sail, so ends this day Lat, 17-30-22-45

Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fresh wind, last part quite moderate set mainsail and jib caught 3 Porpoises so ends this day Lat 17-27 Long 21-00

Thursday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Most part of this day good weather ship heading N. W. at 6 A.M. tacked stood to the E. S. E. so ends this day Lat 17-40-20-45



Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>

This day commences with strong trade. at 10 A.M. took in sail how too much trysail. General & staysail saw one ~~Emback~~ so ends this day Lat 17-29- Long 26-15

Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Fresh gale all those 24 hours. ship how too all day heavy sea on. so ends this day Lat 17-27- Long 20-00

Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Fresh gale all this day. Ship lying too saw nothing so ends this day Lat 17-14- Long 20-48

Monday March 24<sup>th</sup>

Fresh gale all this day. Ship lying too under short sail so ends this day Lat 17-20- Long 20-48

Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong breeze. last part with moderate set all sail it being the first time since we left Ish. Lat. We have had but one day before fitting to lower a boat. there being a very strong breeze very rough. likewise very thick which is no uncommon thing some times in good weather you can scarcely <sup>a sail</sup> see 2 miles much less a whale. however we saw a number of porpoise and ~~one~~ so ends this day Lat

Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze. at 2 A.M. took a small porpoise from the North. saw one porpoise Lat

Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale ship lying too under short sail so ends this day



Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze very back seeing saw a few Porpoises Finbacks sunfish & squid spawn sent down Main Topmast so ends this day Lat 18-20-20-00

Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh breeze at 4 P.M. saw a ~~Beig~~ to the windward called it a whale Lat 16-45-Long 20-35

Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup>

All this day with moderate ship lying too much short sail so ends this day Lat 17-16-Long 20-45

Monday March 31<sup>st</sup>

First part of this day fine weather at 10 A.M. spoke the Bark President gamut with capt Paul he had 75 barrels sperm & 20 Black he saw whales a few days before Lat 17-09-Long 19-45; Lat 17-08-Long 19-40

Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup>

All this day strong breeze. saw plenty of Finbacks got made as an ~~april~~ april fool of by one of them thought it was a sperm whale searched this day Lat 17-15-Long 19-30

Wednesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

All this day fresh wind at 6 A.M. saw the President at 10. Sounded for blackfish struck one lost him saw an number of Finbacks Lat 17-20-Long 19-35

Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Strong breeze all day saw Grampus breche saw Finbacks one Porpoises & ends this day Lat 17-15-Long 19-45



Friday April 4<sup>th</sup>

All this day ship how too under short sail, saw Porpoises  
Finbacks and Blackfish. Lat 17-20- Long 19-09

Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh gale ship lying too all day saw  
nothing but Finbacks so ended the day Lat. 17-07 Long 20-15

Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup>

This day good weather. ship how too under short  
sail. saw a ship running S S W. Lat 17-09- Long 19-50

Monday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all this day saw abundance of Porpoises  
and one Finback. so ended this day Lat. 17-07- 19-38

Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather. at 6 A M mast sail  
saw the Bark President and ship Sylph capt  
Gardner of New Haven. she had 300 barrels of  
shum oil at 10 A M lowered for Blackfish.  
but got none at 3 P M. lowered with the ship. Sylph  
at 6 P M capt Soul came on board of the Sylph.  
had a good good time Bought a spar of capt  
Gardner for 25 dollars for a jibboom Lat. 17-35 Long 20-10

Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all this day saw the Sylph. President  
and another Bark saw nothing else Lat. 17-28- Long 19-48  
sent up main topmast. rigged out jib boom

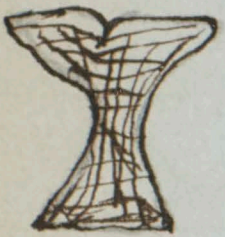
Thursday April 10<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather saw nothing. Lat 17-20- Long 20-00



Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh breeze ship heading N<sup>W</sup> W  
 till noon. Lat 18-00 Long 20-40. how off run west  
 at 3 P.M. saw the ship Sylph and Bark Resident  
 in a shoal of sperm whales. at 6 got near enough  
 to see the whales going quick to the windward could not  
 get near them the ship got two whales. how not how  
 many the bark got. saw plenty of Finbacks Lat 18-00 Long 21-20



Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all day saw Porpoises Blackfish and  
 Finbacks. winds this day Lat 18-00 Long 21-20

Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all this day ship how too under short  
 sail at 8 P.M. saw a breeze run for it saw nothing  
 but finbacks saw the ship Sylph bark Resident  
 Lat 18-00 Long 21-20

Monday April 14<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather saw plenty of Finbacks  
 saw the Resident and Sylph likewise  
 abundance of Porpoises seen Lat 17-40 Long 21-35

Tuesday April 15<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather saw Finbacks as usual.  
 at 4 P.M. saw a Bark standing to the N<sup>W</sup>  
 winds this day. Lat 17-55 Long 21-10

Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup>

First of this day with a strong breeze at 9 o'clock  
 spoke with the Samuel S Thomas. went on  
 board of her. she had 300 barrels sperm oil. at  
 4 spoke the ship Sylph capt Larcher  
 came on board at 10 P.M. returned to ship 17-44-21-05



Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather light wind at North. When made sail sylph. Samuel Thomas and two other Barks in sight. stood to the Eastward at 11 AM saw the Samuel Thomas manuvering run off to her she had raised a shoal of Whales and fastened how many she got knew not. Whales went to windward boreed my boats but could not cut them off. Lat 17-35-Long 20-00



Friday April 18<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong breeze at 6 AM saw a Sloop at 4 PM saw the Samuel Thomas. looking after ground about here looks the best that I have seen it since I have been here. There is bright eyes drops water which has porpoise seal. spurn and etc. the water very light 17-30-20-10

Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>

Fresh breeze all day at 8 AM saw the Samuel Thomas standing to the eastward at 6 PM saw a sail standing to the eastward after wards supposed it to be the Brig Essex of Furu capt Smith. second the day Lat 17-23-

Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>

Strong gale all this day at 12 AM spoke to Ship Sylph. heard from the Brig Essex. 70 days from home 70 barrels sperm has got letters for me want to see him very much. Lat 17-42-21-30

Monday April 21<sup>st</sup>

All this day strong gales at 6 AM saw a sail standing to the North saw the Sylph at 10 AM at 12 came on so white water Lat 17-41-Long 21-00



Monday April 21<sup>st</sup>

All this day strong breeze at 10 A.M. saw the  
Sylph standing to the A.W. at 2 saw Porpoises  
saw this day Lat 17-48 Long 21-10

Tuesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>

All this day strong gale at 10 A.M. took in Topsail  
saw Porpoises. Ship lying too under spencer & try sail  
so much this day Lat 17-40 Long 20-40

Wednesday April 23<sup>rd</sup>

All this day ship lying too under try sail and  
Spencer saw Porpoises. Lat 17-31 Long 20-15

Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup>

All this day ship lying too under the above  
sail saw nothing Lat 17-28 Long 19-45

Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>

All this day heavy gale ship lying too under  
the above sail so much this day Lat 17-25 Long 20-15

Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong breeze at  
began to moderate at 6 P.M. saw a ship running  
S.S.W. so much this day Lat 17-42 Long 22-00

Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fresh breeze at 8 A.M. saw  
a Bark running S.S.W. at 1 P.M. saw another Bark  
running as the one above saw Porpoises. Lat 17-42 Long 21-10



Monday April 28<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale saw two ships running  
S. S. W. saw nothing else all hands well  
so ends this day Lat 17-41 Long 20-45

Tuesday April 29<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale ship lying too much  
staysail spencer, & try sail, saw one ship  
so ends this day Lat 17-35 Long 20-45

Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale ship lying too much  
the above sail. Saw nothing at all, very rough  
so ends this day Lat 17-30 Long 20-00

Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>

All this day strong breeze at 8 A.M. set the topsail  
very heavy sea on, and clear weather, for the last  
fortnight it has blown a perfect gale so if  
whales enough to see thru once a day, one could not  
make any business at catching them, during this spell  
of heavy weather it has been very clear, and so  
it appears to be most of the time that it blows  
fresh, there is not a cloud to be seen, but when  
it begins to moderate it begins to thickening  
up and be cloudy. At 10 A.M. set the foresail  
ship standing in towards the main. I have  
an idea of working up towards the  
Canary Islands if nothing happens to turn  
my mind, I shall work up in shore if  
I can conveniently as, I have more faith that  
way than what I have off shore.  
so ends this day Lat 17-04 Long 18-45



Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>

All this day quite a strong breeze at 8 A.M. set the Jib and doubled reefed the mainsail and set that saw a shoal of Porpoises Lat 17-14-18-45

Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day little less breeze but very thick saw a number of Porpoises. at Noon the top of the water very slicky and very green. Quite a number of birds flying fish and honeyeaters ship under double reef's so ends this day Lat 17-30-Long 17-26

Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fresh breeze middle part began to moderate. At 10 A.M. made all sail at 4 P.M. saw a shoal of Embarks the weather very thick with N.W. at 6 P.M. took in light sails so ends this day Lat 17-45 Long 17-40

Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>

All of this day very thick, brizely, and squally but light squalls at 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish at 10 saw a shoal of Embarks, thought they were sperm Whales but mistake at 3 P.M. saw the Coast of Africa for the first time in my life. the land was not very high rather uneven the Northern part of what we saw look sandy the center part looked like a village probably a the town of town near Cape Agrie at 4 we soundered back 10 fathoms water on the Aquiline Bank. the land <sup>10 fms</sup> 15 miles distance Tacked ship stood off 1 hour back 40 fathoms could catch no fish saw another shoal of Embarks the wind N.W. so ends this day Lat 17-16-17-40



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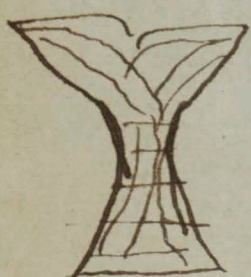
Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup>

All this day pleasant breeze and weather, the water looked as though we were on soundings. Soundings but had no bottom, the water is very thick, with a dark greenish water muddy colour, and it appears to be so all along shore close in to Soundings. I have found it so from the latitude of 16 up to 20 degrees. at 8 P.M. saw a shoal of Hilses loweret but caught none at 10 P.M. stood off shore the wind N. N. E. increasing took in light sails so ended this day Lat at Noon 19-30 Long 17-45

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Wednesday May 1<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day begins with quite a strong breeze. at 6 A.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish Loweret, struck one broke the bow, at the same time saw spouts astern called them sperm whales, took boats up ran for them proved to be Enbacky took ship to the N. N. W. at 10 A.M. saw a lone Spume Whale. loweret for him about half an hour after rose a shoal of small whales to the windward coming to the loweret about this time struck the one we loweret for one more gone with the first whale so this spouting blow, he went down never saw him after. the shoal went to the windward eyes out took this one along side cut him in off 11 A.M. at night so ended this day with a strong breeze and rough sea Lat supposed to 19-50 Long 18-30





Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze and very rough  
All hands employed in clearing up decks  
at 8 P.M. commenced boiling so ends this  
day Lat 19-30 Long

Friday May 9<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong breeze and very  
rough, slow boiling. at 8 P.M. saw a shoal of  
Porpoises at 6 more ship stood to the Eastward  
so ends this day Lat 19-25 Long 19-30

Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>

All this day a strong breeze and very rough  
very slow boiling stowed down 15 barrels Oil  
so ends this day Lat 19-20 Long

Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup>

All this strong breeze and very rough. broke  
out the hold with the rouse about gang and  
stowed down 10 barrels Oil. saw a shoal of  
Porpoises. Mr. Cy. old sick with the Dysentery  
so ends this day Lat 19-10 Long 18-30

Monday May 12<sup>th</sup>

All this day very strong breeze and very rough  
finished boiling. stowed down 5 barrels Oil and  
cleared up decks. the whole amount of Oil this  
whole week was 45 barrels. Lat 19-03 Long

Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale Brig lying too under  
short sail had no look out. neither have we had  
any since last Wednesday. unhooked the fore sail & repaire  
so ends the day Lat 19-00 Long no Ob



Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze Brig lying too under short sail all hands employed in mending fore sail. seconds. Lat 18 50 - 18 00

Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day strong breeze at 10 A.M. set mainsail stay sail & jib at 1 P.M. tacked ship at 4 and fore sail about this time came on to white water saw a surfish cuttle fish and quick pieces at 6 saw a sperm Whale lowered, struck and killed him before dark after we lowered saw a very heavy body of Whales apparently at home last part of this day quite good weather but rough seconds this day Lat 19-25 Long 18-55

Friday May 16<sup>th</sup>

This day good weather but very rough cut the Whale up cleck, and set the works going at 10 P.M. saw in the evening saw plenty of Blackfish went this day Lat 19-20

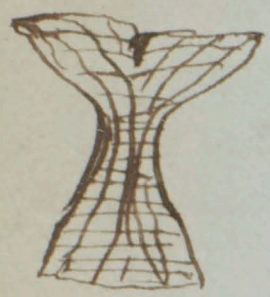
Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day good weather employed in working last part same as first Lat 19-20 - seconds this day

Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>

All this day quite good weather employed in baling stowed down 15 barrels of oil saw porpoises at 4 P.M. Long 19-50 Lat seconds this day





Monday May 19<sup>th</sup>  
 First part of this day good weather  
 All hands employed in stowing down oil  
 and clearing up decks at 8 A.M. saw Porpoises  
 At 11 1/2 o'clock I went aloft myself and  
 saw a large lone whale going about N.W.  
 startled him turned him off south at 6 P.M.  
 struck him, and draveck from him come on  
 board. saw a Brig running S.E. last  
 part quite a fresh breeze stowed down the  
 remainder of the oil that was on deck so ended this  
 day Lat N 16-40 Long W 110-15

Tuesday May 20<sup>th</sup>  
 All this day fresh breeze saw Porpoises  
 saw a brig running S.E. he was a greek  
 so ended this day Lat N 16-50 Long W 111-00  
 not correct

Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup>  
 All this day strong breeze saw a Sloop  
 at 2 P.M. saw a sail bound to theeward  
 last part same as first Lat 19-21-0

Thursday May 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 First part of this day strong wind middle more  
 moderate last part same as first at 3 P.M.  
 saw plenty of Sloops Porpoises and Black  
 suppose we were on the edge of the shore  
 soundings although the Chronometer gave the long  
 of 18-40, soundings of 5 had 60 fathoms of water  
 I have found an error in the chronometer since  
 last Sunday knew not what caused it I found  
 her to be 1-30 out of the way she has gained six  
 in less than a week Lat 19-21



Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup>

All this day strong wind Brig going too much  
short sail at 6 A.M. saw Black Fish at noon  
Lat 19-40 - at 4 P.M. 18-30 Dr.

Remarks concerning the winds, weather  
and current on the Coast from January till  
June, from the Lat of Cape Verde to Cape Blanco  
in 1851 taken on board of Brig C. Dickerson on  
a Whaling cruise. A. B. Nick

From 100 miles to the Eastward of Satt Ish  
to the Long of 18-30 the water appears to be of  
a light greenish color. (which is about the  
eastern part of the so called Lagoon Bank  
which in reality is no Bank at all. To the east  
of 18-30 until you come to the shore soundings  
the water seems quite blue, but that is owing  
mostly to the atmosphere if the sky is clear  
and good seeing the water will look more  
blue than at other times when it is cloudy or  
the atmosphere is thick which is the case  
most of the time on this coast. generally when  
it is clear there is strong trade, when it begins  
to get cloudy it begins to moderate. although I  
have seen good fine weather when it was clear  
but then it was bad seeing Whales. As you  
go to the North in the Lat of 19-30 the water  
appears of light milky color and extends from  
the long of 18-40 as far west as 20-whow much farther  
I know not. When you come on to the edge  
of soundings the water is of a dark muddy  
green color there is dead seaweed grass  
&c floating on the water, there is a string  
of Siphacks extending from Cape Verde to  
Blanco between the white water and son



soundings like ~~rain~~ Blackfish & Porpoise  
 where they are the water is of a dark colour  
 within this light water the current sets to  
 the Southward down the coast but out in  
 the white water there is no current to speak  
 of if any it sets to the North. To the westward  
 of this change of water, the prevailing wind is about  
 N. East. but as you go in shore the Drifts to the  
 Northward in the long of 18-00 the it will be  
 about North and in the long 17-00 it will be  
 from N. N. W. to N. W. I ~~went in~~ saw the  
 land 3 times and each time in sight of the  
 land I found the wind N. W. and each time  
 in coming off the wind would draw to the N  
 and from that to N. East. I would state  
 that this white water does not appear to  
 be stationary, for because for a time the  
 water will appear very light and a week after  
 on the same place it will be very blue but  
 is as I said before much owing to the  
 Atmosphere the track which vessels most  
 pass in is about the Long of 20-00. There is  
 a Bank laid down on many charts called  
 the Porpoise Bank which in reality has no  
 existence at all. but I presume that owing  
 to the water being light it gave them an  
 idea that they were on soundings but  
 such is not the case.

Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong gale Brig going too  
 under short sail saw one seal her bottom  
 seals this day Lat 19-46 Long 18-00



Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup>  
 First part of this day fresh breeze sent  
 men aloft for the first time on Sunday on  
 this voyage. the chronometer <sup>error</sup> this day allowing nothing  
 it to have happened to her. would have been.  $23^{\circ} 25''$   
 and by adding  $6'' 6'' 30''$   $6^{\circ} 30' 29'' 56''$   
 I shall give her her usual rates until I think different

Monday May 26<sup>th</sup>  
 All this day very strong gales Brig lying too  
 under short sail saw nothing but one Brig  
 running in for the land. Lat 20-00 Long 18-25

Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup>  
 All this day strong gales Brig lying too  
 under short sail. We are five months out to day  
 which is half the time we fitted for when we  
 left home. Our casks are about half full of  
 Oil such as it is, but over half of our provisions  
 are gone. I hope we shall have enough to last  
 until the first day of November if we  
 do not fill our casks before —  
 at 3 P.M. saw breeches properly they were  
 jamper's seals this day Lat 20-10 Long 18-30  
 It seems since we have got to the North  
 of 19-20 that there is a northerly current  
 by the Brig's working to the windward. or else  
 there was a southerly current to the south of  
 that latitude because when we were to the southward  
 we could not gain much with considerable sail  
 on. since then we have been under short sail  
 and find no trouble in working to the windward  
 And that is not all that makes me think so  
 for when we were we saw a shoal of



Whales in the Lat of  $19^{\circ}50'$  or  $20^{\circ}$  they were going to the southward. one week after in the Lat  $19^{\circ}45'$  I saw a shoal bound to the N.W. one week after that I saw a large whale bound to the N.W. he was in the  $19^{\circ}20'$ . all of the above Whales appeared to be at home. I think they are stirring the current which makes me think there is a change in the current about the Lat of  $19^{\circ}30'$  or  $19^{\circ}40'$

Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze likewise very rough. mended the Topsail and repaired it run 4 hours S.W. then 4 hours S.E. then hauled by the Wind so ends this day Lat  $19^{\circ}50'$  - Long  $18^{\circ}35'$

Thursday May 29<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze and rough Brig. going to anchor short sail saw two Lonhacks saw one sail running South, so ends this day Lat  $19^{\circ}40'$  - Long  $17^{\circ}50'$

Friday May 30<sup>th</sup>

All this day fresh breeze. Brig heading from N.E. to N.W. saw small bruchs in the morning about 10 A.M. change the colour of the water from light milky to deep blue the first I have seen since I made the Isle of Sable last January. I shall now take my departure for the Western Isles. if nothing happens, so turn my mind. to day it is quite smooth so ends this day Lat  $20^{\circ}10'$  - Long  $18^{\circ}50'$  - B-13



I am now very well satisfied with Coast  
 of Africa whaling for this season. I should  
 like to stop here till July. at least I have thought  
 so all along. for I thought the weather would be  
 good from May till August. But now I hardly  
 know what to think about it. If we look at  
 what causes fresh tracks. which is heat  
 rarifying <sup>the air</sup> which makes it light and the circum-  
 adjacent air being more dense rushing to the  
 vacuum to restore the equilibrium. I say  
 if we look at that why the hotter it gets the  
 the fresher the tracks ought to be. But such  
 Perhaps may not be the case. I have been  
 cruising now for a fortnight and have seen  
 nothing. I had it in my mind if I saw  
 Whales again to go up to Cape Blanco. to  
 get wood and water if I could. but now  
 I have given up that idea. I shall now  
 proceed to the Western Islands (if Luck is  
 willing) to there to get wood, water, and  
 Provisions. of which my crew stand in  
 need of very much. for most of them are  
 breaking out with Piles. there is hardly a  
 man in the Forecastle that has not got  
 more or less. which is occasioned partly  
 by being without fresh vegetables. but mostly  
 in my opinion by the weather. which is very  
 bad for them. The weather is the coldest that  
 ever I saw Whaling although we are farther south  
 than ever I whaled in my life. It seems to be  
 almost impossible to dry a pair of thin pants  
 or a shirt. about 30. At the dew begins to fall  
 in the sun and continues to fall until 9 AM  
 in the next morning. during which time you



Thick fog on about all the time. In the shade it dampens all the time like wise aloft. go aloft any time a day it matters not how warm it may appear on deck. and by the time you have been there half an hour. your clothes will be quite damp so I think it is very detrimental to ones health. The Thermometer to day stood at 74 degrees I took it on deck in the shade at 4 P.M. and it stood at 68 degrees making it 6 degrees colder on deck than below. although that is not very cold. the atmosphere being so damp makes it appear so. the Thermometer at the time in the Water stood at 69 degrees being warmer than the air. during this time the Sun was shining very bright and the weather clear. So taking every thing together I think it is a very bad place to whale for Sperm Whales if the Whales were plenty and very tame one might make quite a good business but as the Whales are as they are. and the Weather is as it is. I think it does not pay sufficient to remunerate one for coming here especially in a small vessel unless we have not had a fair sample of the winds, weather sea and Whales. If not I have nothing to say. Donek

Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>

All this day quite good weather just a whole sail breeze. at 8 A.M. saw breeches saw two shoals of Blackfis. This is the last day of Spring, the last day of May, the last day of the week. and on put it down on the last part of this page. 1238-20-45-20-25



Sunday June 1st

All this day pleasant weather but quite cool  
Brig heading North to N by West. going 6  
miles per hour. saw nothing at all but flying  
fish. water clear blue. so ends this day

Lat 23-20- Long 82-00.

Monday June 2nd

All this day fine weather just cool to  
enough to be healthy. the wind steady &  
to the C. N. E. saw nothing but a few  
flying fish, and clear blue water.  
so ends this day Lat 25-00- Long 83-30

Tuesday June 3rd

First part of this day light wind weather  
cloudy at 10 A M saw a bark running to  
the westward of that time came up a squall  
of rain the first I have seen since last  
January. At noon cleared off fine weather  
the rest of this day seraphic and serene,  
used fixed bar day straps sent at  
Portogallant mast &c &c Lat 25-30- Long

Wednesday June 4th

All this day fine weather just a whole  
sail breeze last part, first part sent up  
Portogallant yard at noon there to be met  
a strong S W current. but I think I can  
correctly know for my chronometer I can put  
no dependence in what ever, but the water  
is very clear nothing to be seen but a few  
flying fish not one spear of weed. while to the westward  
of this there is weed in abundance. so I think the current  
sets to the S W. Lat 26-37- Long 84-00



Thursday June 5th  
 This day fine beautiful day saw plenty  
 of large galleys. they look grand on the water  
 they put me in mind of a fleet of Mackerel  
 catches standing along by the wind all heading  
 one way, the lower part of them which represents  
 the hull of a vessel is of a bluish color  
 and the top part which represents the sails of  
 a schooner is of a purple and pink color in  
 short it has all the colours of the rainbow  
 their body or hull is about as large as a  
 mans hand which is hollow similar to  
 a bladder. this bladder floats upon the surface  
 of the water. to that they have long strings  
 attached about one fathom long. they are of  
 colour of them is a mixture of blue, pink,  
 and purple. these strings serve as  
 ballast to them to keep them from  
 capsizing, likewise for a rudder to steer  
 by. they will go very steady and true fast.  
 Although they are very pleasing to the  
 sense of seeing, they are not very agreeable to  
 the sense of feeling. for they are very poisonous  
 the moment you ~~touch~~ touch them it is followed  
 by severe pain similar to a burn, it will  
 smart and burn for hours after and  
 will raise a blister almost instantaneously.  
 I once saw a young fellow get one of these large  
 ones around his neck which made him crazy for  
 a week for about four hours. It likewise made  
 him sick so much so that we could not  
 stop him from vomiting for some time  
 his whole neck and shoulders was of a



Solict blister. Poor fellow he was very cautious  
 next time he went in to swim to keep an eye  
 out for those galley's. Sally mippers they small  
 ones are called. They do not have those poisonous  
 strings attached to them. but even those when  
 ever they touch one they are apt to raise a blister.  
 they feel as though something was biting one which  
 goes through the name of mippers. We saw one  
 sail running S West. saw one last night at  
 S. P. M. some Jumpers at 6 saw Blackbird  
 the weather is beautiful. one reason I suppose  
 which makes it seem so pleasant is because we  
 have had such blistering weather ever since  
 we left home. which makes one appreciate  
 it better than though we had good weather part  
 of the time. ~~so end~~ Lat 38-30 - Long 26-33.

Lat & P. M. took a Lunar observation of the  
 Sun and Moon found the Chronometer fast  
 of Greenwich time by Lunar 3'-45" three  
 minutes forty five seconds. Long by Lunar  
 Observation 25-44 - by Chronometer 26-33.



Friday June 6<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather the wind East saw nothing of any kind ship heading N.E. by N. so ends this day Lat. 28-05. Long 26-28. 25-55.

Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather wind E.S. by E running N.E. by N. at 11 A.M. saw a shoal of porpoises, and a turtle, at 1 P.M. came into scattering weed, the first I have seen since last January. the water is likewise very ripply is looks more like whaling than anything I have seen since I have left home except when I have seen whales. we are now on what they call the stern ground. I shall leave the Brig too to night so ends this day Lat 29-35 Long 26-41. 25-40

Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fine weather with a fine breeze from South East. about 10 A.M. a little drizzle, at Noon Calm. however it is the most pleasant Sunday I have seen since I have left home. it seems quite strange to have it so still of a Sunday nothing is heard of that doleful moaning of the wind, or of that heavy rushing of the waters, which always accompany a strong breeze at Sea. nothing is heard save the light spray as it dashes against the ship's side and the small ripple occasioned by the wake as she moves steadily through the water at the rate of 6 miles per hour.

26-29

Lat 34-00 Long 26-18. Dr 25-15



Monday June 9<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather the wind from S  
to S.E., very moderate. employed in cleaning deck  
and painting. saw some scattering weed, fish kippo  
and one large shark. I have not seen any  
since I was in 32<sup>nd</sup>. there I saw some scattering  
weed. there appears to be plenty of galleys all  
the way from 28<sup>th</sup> up to here. But the water is  
very clear. nothing to be seen but a few shallow  
drops. Lat 35-35 = Long 26-00 = Dr 25-00

Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather wind from S  
saw abundance of squid spawn, galleys &  
one pinback, some groupers, and Cowfish  
saw a Bark going E. S. E. pointed the  
starboard side so ends this day  
Lat 36-05 = Long 26-16 = Dr 25-42 = 24-30

Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day good weather wind from  
Middle. Strong breeze from the above Quarters.  
last part rainy & drizzly. got no clear  
the wind N.W. in the morning saw a number  
of pinbacks one shoal of Porpoises last part  
of the day saw nothing? the water is full of  
squid spawn and other jelly s. According to  
my reckoning we ought to be near the Island  
of St. Mary's. it ought to bear N 16-020 miles  
but we can't see it. the Chronometer is 1 degree  
to the westward of it. so ends this day  
Lat 36-45 = Long 27-05 = Dr 25-20



Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day squally and breezy & last part calm and clear at 5 A.M. saw the Island of St Michaels for the first time in my life can not see St Marys passed it last night found the Chronometer to be 1 minute to the westward her error the day past of Greenwich mean time 34' 32" day rate gaining 15 $\frac{1}{10}$  fifteen see our tenth all this afternoon calm no nearer the Island than we were when we saw it

Lat at noon 37-30 - Long 25-58

Friday June 13<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather the wind west. at noon painted the larboard side of Brig this side is eat considerable with worms. The land we saw yesterday and called St Michaels has proved to be Lico. we have been running for it ever since and now it is 15 miles off. Our Chronometer is exactly right she has neither lost or gained since we left home.

We see by this how liable we are to err. I would have sworn anything she was 2 degrees to the westward of the Brig. But that is as much as men know, he is very apt to think that he knows considerable some times. He will get so self conceited that he thinks he cares not what this says or that says. he knows so and so. In a little while he finds he is mistaken and that he knows nothing but by circumstance and by comparison and then he sinks into significant



Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather and calm most of the time between the Islands of Lee and St George. Painted Brig. at 6 P. We spoke a fish boat. got in news.

Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather calm most of the time at 6 A. M. saw a Bark called for a whaler. at 5 P. M. I went on shore on St George. the Eastern end got some Potatoes, Onions, Chickens and Eggs at 2 P. M. came on board.

Monday June 16<sup>th</sup>

All this day squally and drizzly but moderate at 8 A. M. went on shore landed 16 cask got them full of salt water for 1 barrel of Oil. I got a few Lemons. I can get no more fruit of any kind. It being too early in the season. While I was on shore I saw a whaler passing by the eastern end of the Island. I should like to have spoken her very much. to get some news. I have had none since I left St Gardner in May. I came on board at 6 P. M. All hands were, and very well satisfied with their cruise. the last part of this day the wind blew quite fresh at South East making it quite rough.

Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup>

All this day moderate and baffling at 8 A. M. went on shore with Starboard watch. I bought four chords of wood, 1 Bullae rock chickens 30 dozen of Eggs, potatoes and onions as many as I wanted.



For ~~two~~ Barrels of Oil this is a fine place to track you have nothing to pay whatever. All you have to do is to carry Oil on shore on the tap ready for peddling, you want small measure at that for one quart of Oil I could get three chickens, and every thing in the same ratio. At 3 P.M. I came on board very well satisfied with what supplies I obtained.

Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>

All this day moderate and rainy off the eastern end of St George, at 3 P.M. Capt Manchester came on board. He was in the Mattapoisette of Westport he had 120 barrels of sperm, from him I got one spade. I got some news concerning the whalers, saw the Franklin reported 60 barrels of Blackfish in Porto Priner Bay, s<sup>th</sup> Harriet Neal in San Bay, also A.C. Cook also at the same time that was in March. I was very much pleased to see Capt Manchester likewise to hear from those vessels. It ends this day.

Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day calm and moderate all the fore noon I tried to get through between the Islands of St George and Lucia but could not put her through, however ran around Lucia then I saw the bark President Capt. Soul Ship Pacific Capt. Peas. Cham. Brig Harbinger Capt. Silva 120 barrels sperm. President 260 sperm. I went on board of Capt. Soul spent afternoon and evening. Capt. Peas and Capt. Silva were



Friday June 20th

All this day fine weather pleasant breeze in company with the above vessels. At 11 A.M. stood off for a schooner. thought it was the Water Irving proved to be a merchantman. tacked stood in sunset this day of whole week.

Saturday June 21st

All this day good weather in company with the above vessels stood off all day. At 6 P.M. saw killer groupers, caught a shark, and a sunfish so ended the day.

Sunday June 22nd

All this day fine weather in the morning off North head L'Anse at 9 A.M. off the eastern end of St George at 2 P.M. off the Western end. chased a schooner there thought it was a whale proved to be the same one we chased last Friday so then tacked stood at 5 P.M. we landed a man on Graciosa by the name of Francis Williams seems this day all day we had a fine breeze and good seeing.

Monday June 23rd

First part of this day squally close in to Graciosa at 6 A.M. saw a ship to the leeward called it the Typh Capt Gardner like wise saw a bark to windward knew not who it was. At 4 P.M. went into Graciosa and Francis Williams came on board stood off from the Island. saw a Bark and a schooner knew not who they were so ended the day.



Wednesday Monday June 24<sup>th</sup>.

All this day fine weather at 6 A.M. spoke the Sch. Water. The Captain Nelson he was two months out clean he was direct from St. Michaels saw nothing there. From him I obtained a letter from home of which I was very much pleased. I came on board about to the eastward at 10 A.M. saw the Bark Rotherhild capt. Leonard Small of him I obtained two letters from home, how eagerly did I receive them and peruse their contents it was good for my mind of which I had sought after ever since I left home. From them I learned that my family and friends were all well, which was good news indeed to me. From Captain Small I bought a boat gave him 40 dollars paid him in Oil. Capt. Small had been quite sick but is now got very smart he has been sick with a slow fever, dysentery and a bad cold, but is now quite smart. At 9 P.M. I came on board very much pleased. For the head hearing I went out to mid's watch this day.

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Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup>

Strong breeze from the S.W. at 11 A.M. spoke the Brig. Charlotte of Sag Harbor Capt. Winters 11 months out 500 barrels from the Charlotte is a good sailer I sailed with him to day and he beat me if ether beat it is the first vessel that ever done that to this west. Capt. Winters seems to be a wise man.

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Thursday June 26<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather at 8 A.M. spoke the brig Charlotte he heard for two whales seen off St. Michael's at 7 P.M. spoke a brig bound to Newmarket from Carthagena.



Friday June 27<sup>th</sup> 1851


All this day squally with the wind at North  
saw the Brig Pioneer at 8 A M saw a number  
of Pinbacks saw nothing more to day Secura and  
Grasavisa just in sight so ends this day

Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup>

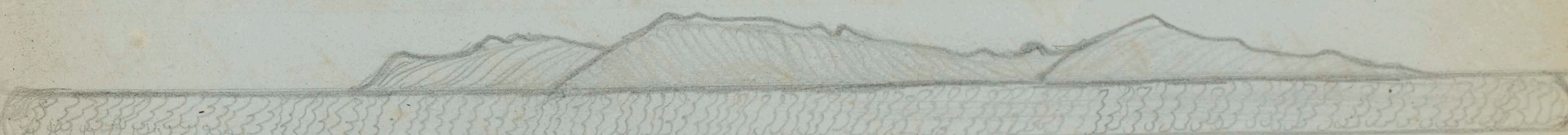
This day fine cruising weather at 5 P M took  
the boat of the waist and put the one on board  
of Capt Small in it's place so ends this day  
Lat 40-30

Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup>


All this day fine weather at 8 A M saw  
the Island of Secura at 12 M the Island bore  
S West dist 20 miles





Secura bearing South West by N South 25 miles



Grasavisa bearing North west 1/2 North 20 miles



View of St George and Pico St George bearing West 30 miles

Pico and Paval bearing S S E 45 miles



Monday 3 June 30th / 51

At this day fine weather at 6 AM I went in shore with a boat to see if I could find a place to get water while I was gone they rose a shoal of sperm Whales on board of the vessel and I seeing the colors up hastened on board but I did not get sight of the whales They rose the whales about 6 miles from the South East end of St George going quick for the eastern point after they got there they turned off to the leeward and we never saw them after I think now they went to the leeward. It appears from what I can learn that about all of the whales that pass between the Islands of Neira and Erassira go up for the eastern end of St George. They frequently make a stop here and feed. but these whales make not stop at all. They must have started for they were going eyes out when we saw them. I think that off the eastern end of St George is a good place for sperm whale  
At 7 PM spoke the sch Almyra Nantucket capt. Braiments 2 months out 35 barrels sperm so ends this day.



Tuesday July 1st 1851

First part of this day fine weather saw a number of Grampuses saw several sails at 1 PM went on shore and got 30 barrels of fresh water there was plenty of water but the shore was very rocky there was not much surf on today the wind being south west and blowing very fresh at this time it is a good place to get vegetables this is about 10 miles from the eastern end of St George. so ends this day.



Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1857.

All this day fine weather saw 3 sail of whalers at 10 AM land on the N<sup>th</sup> East side of St George and bought 70 bushels of Potatoes and 30 bushels of Onions - At 5 PM came on board likewise bought some chard of good wood, at 7 PM bore off to the North West

Thursday July 3<sup>rd</sup>

First part of this day fine weather the wind South at 5 AM St George, Rev and Dayal in sight at 11 AM left sight of them. Saw two vessels at the same time. Last part fresh breeze at 5 PM saw the Islands of Carro and Flores, on bark in sight at the time so ends this day

Friday July 4<sup>th</sup>

All this day very changeable weather sometimes blowing fresh sometimes calm at 6 AM Flores bore N<sup>W</sup> 15 miles distance at 10 saw the sch. Council of Provenance chased her untill I reach her mane then bore off and set my colors, saw a ship at the same time Capt Lenn seemed to be inclined not to speak me. I chased him untill I found out who he was then bore off I wanted to speak Capt Lenn. to get what information I could, likewise I expected letters by him but I could not speak him under those circumstances so ends this day





Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather saw the Islands of Carro and Flores saw a number of vessels at 6 P.M. saw a whaler a Brig. bore off to speak her about this time found that he was chasing whales we lowered fell in a back of his boats he then gave up chase at 8 P.M. I struck one but I got no lance at her. I held fast to her until 12 Midnight then cut the vessel being out of sight at 1 A.M. so ends this day



Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather at 1 A.M. I got on board. and made our course the way the whale was going and turned in. at 5 A.M. saw the above whale about a mile off. lowered our boats but could not get near him he was so shy. at 12 saw three other whales at 20 minutes past one struck one at 10 minutes of two he was dead. took him along side so ends this day

Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather about calm all day. all hands employed in cutting in the above whale and all in but his head so ends this day

Tuesday July 8<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fine weather at 10 A.M. took in the whale's back. at 11 the work was going last part of this day fresh breeze and squally. we got our whale in just in time for now the weather looks bad



Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup>

All of this day strong breeze very squally with rain also very rough all hands employed in boiling and stowing down Oil. Stowed down 15 barrels of Oil so ends this day.

Thursday July 10<sup>th</sup>

All this day very bad weather for boiling it being squally and raining all day likewise rough still employed in boiling. Stowed down 35 barrels of Oil. Saw nothing at all to day, for the last 3 days we have seen Black Fish, Porpoises, and Crampuses, but to day we have seen nothing suit endy

Friday July 11<sup>th</sup>

All this day good weather employed in boiling and stowing down saw nothing of any account caught a sail on fire above the works but did no other damage so ends this day.

Saturday July 12<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather finished boiling, stowed down & cleared up decks the whale mach us one hundred barrels so ends this day Saturday night



Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather at 5 AM rose 3 sperm whales at 10 AM struck one a sperm came around the logger head and cut the line could not get hold of him after. at 3 PM struck another and killed him took him along side at 6 PM row falls broke out hold so ends this day Total 38 = 48





Monday July 14<sup>th</sup>

All this day very fine weather and more brat  
at 4 AM hooked on to the whale we got yesterday  
at 6 AM rose another Whale. hauled for him  
but could not catch him he was going quick  
to the S.S.P. called him the Whale we stradd  
yesterday came on board and finished cutting  
in the Whale so ends this day Lot 38:58.

Tuesday July 15<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine pretty weather at 4 AM  
set the works again at 4 PM saw Blackfish  
and Grampuses so ends this day. this eve  
it is beautiful weather. It is about calm  
and on the full of the Moon and all coming  
out fast so ends this day Lot 38:36.

Wednesday July 16<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather and calm  
saw Black fish and Grampuses. Still  
employed in boiling. stowed down 20 barrels  
of Oil. so ends this day Lot 38:36-32:30

Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather and calm also very  
warm still boiling stowed down 25 barrels  
of Oil. saw Grampuses so ends this day

Friday July 18<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fine weather. finished  
boiling and storing down this whale made  
80 barrels. Saw three shoals of Grampuses  
Last part rainy so ends this day



Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>  
 First part of this day rain'd in showers  
 very much at 8 A M saw two vessels  
 came up decks and washed off  
 At 4 P M boarded a Bremen brig bound  
 to Liverpool from Santos S.A. so ends the day

Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup>  
 All this day fine weather saw several  
 sail at 2 P M boarded an Arabian  
 Brig bound to Oporto from New York  
 1<sup>st</sup> day out got one spar so ends the day  
 Lat 38-10 Long 33-14

Monday July 21<sup>st</sup>  
 All this day fine weather the about North  
 at 11 A M exchanged signals with a French  
 ship bound to the Eastward also with a  
 Dutch ship bound the same way saw  
 one spout so ends this day Lat 37-40 34-30

Tuesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 All this day fine weather Brig standing to  
 the Westward at 10 saw one Grampus saw  
 nothing more, picked up a spar supposed  
 it to be a large studding sail boom so  
 ends this day Lat 37-00 Long

Wednesday July 23<sup>rd</sup>  
 All this day fine weather saw some small  
 Breeds some sootring weed so ends the  
 day Lat 36-53 Long 38-00



Thursday July 24<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather saw nothing but vessels. which are very plenty but no Whales among them or Whales, so ends this day Lat. 36-35 Long 88-15



Friday July 25<sup>th</sup>

All this day fine weather and calm at 8 AM went fore topsail to mend. at 9 PM finished mending it took it along to head at that time rose four large Sperm Whales. lowered and took one got him along side at 8 PM. there was one whale game a little while with the fast. whale. Such I think if it had been on the first of the voyage we would have got another whale. but this one is more than we can stow away without heaving away 1 Humpback oil so I am contented if we get this one in so ends this day Lat 36-53 Long about 88-30-

Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup>

All of this day fine weather with a good breeze at 5 AM commenced sitting in the above Whale at 8 PM finished. during the time Capt Harbuck of the Brig Madonna of Liverpool came on board. from Rio Grande. he was in want of Bread, <sup>Syrup</sup> Oil, Molasses and other small stores. I supplied him with all from him I obtained two casks which to me was very acceptable at this time. I have seen Capt Harbuck 6 months ago at Isle Lab he was bound to the above place then. At 6 PM set the works a going so ends this day at 6 AM sent down with the wind sent,



Sunday July 21<sup>th</sup>

All this day strong breeze and squally  
at 10 A.M. saw a ship bound to the East  
All hands very busy. I have been from  
home just 7 months to day have attained  
what I come away for (so far,) which is what  
I never did before in my time. I am in hopes  
now to be at home in about 3 weeks if God is  
willing. we have got but 10 barrels of water on board  
to last 28 men a distance of miles

I P.M. since writing the above I have seen  
the Ship Brooklyn Capt. Korry of New  
London 14 days from home. I went on board of  
him from him I obtained 20 barrels of fresh  
water also some casks besides of which I was in  
need of very much at this time. Capt. Korry is  
a whole souled man and a gentleman and  
one I shall esteem very highly as long as life  
shall last me. Everything has happened to us  
this month so far much better than I could  
wish and so it is through life, at many times  
when we think our cases are the most desperate  
we are the best off. Man is but a very short  
sighted mortal. I have come to the conclusion  
that every thing is for the best and it is  
the best for men to take things patiently  
as they are allotted out to them







Friday Aug 1st

First part of this day fresh breeze and squally. at 8 AM saw the works going and hoisted out 4 barrels of Oil which came out of the pumps made marchonable Oil of it. Last part of this day about calm the wind hauling around to the Eastward Lat 40-12 Long 41-45

Saturday Aug 2nd

All of this day fine breeze from the S E at 8 PM saw a school of Grampuses at 10 AM bitten and went at 8 saw another school of Grampuses. thought they were sperm whales. got our boats all ready to take on had they we found mistaken saw a Brig bound to Lamer Lat 40-45 Long 48-00

Sunday August 3rd

First part of this day strong breeze from the S W. saw two ships bound to the Eastward at 6 AM went the Oil Tapsail and went the new one. last half the wind N W. so ends this day Lat 41-00 Long 50-00

Monday August 4th

All this day fine weather the wind N W. saw one ship bound to the Eastward so ends this day Lat 41-08 Long 51-00

Tuesday August 5th

First part of this day the wind about N at 2 AM the wind N E. saw a Brig bound to Lamer



Wednesday Aug 6<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day the wind NE at 5 A.M. the wind SE at 8 P.M. with a strong breeze saw a brig bound East we standing NW under short sail at 11 P.M. the wind came into the N so ends this day  
Lat 40-33. Long ~~122~~ 54-00

Thursday Aug 7<sup>th</sup>

All of this day the wind about NNE and very smooth sea lying about West saw one sail bound East so ends this day  
Lat 40-45 Long 55-00

Friday Aug 8<sup>th</sup>

All this day very fine weather the wind NE. saw a bark bound to East. the water looks very favorable here for whales but saw nothing again so ends this day  
Lat 41-15 - Long 57-45

Saturday August 9<sup>th</sup>

First part of this day fine weather at 2 A.M. the wind backed around to the SE at 6 A.M. S West. and so the wind appears to work. it goes around the compass once in two or three days. when it get to the S West. it begins to breeze, and will keep on breezing until it brings you down to double reef it will blow so about 10 or 12 hours then start into the North begin to moderate blow that way about 2 1/2 hours. by that time it will be nearly calm. then it will start around to the NE. blow that way about 10 or 12 hours but be very moderate from that



it will start round to the eastward then to the S E and then to the S W when it begins to breeze, all the rest of the time it will be so it has been with us since we left far home now the wind is breezing in to the S West at 11 with rain in the evening 2 barrels of then it cleared off good weather saw a ship standing to the Westward at 2 P.M. the wind came into the N.W. at 8 chace again to the S.W. so ends this day Lat 41-25 = Long 59-00

Sunday Aug 10<sup>th</sup>  
First part of this day begins with light wind from the S.W. with rain at 5 A.M. the wind mist and foggy at 4 P.M. it cleared off and the wind changed to the N.W. so ends this day Lat 42-12 = Long 60-25

Monday Aug 11<sup>th</sup>  
All this day fine weather the wind part of the time S.W. and part of the time West, but saw a sail bound East so ends this day Lat 42-17 = Long 61-30

Tuesday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>  
All of this day fine weather the wind from west to north west saw several sail bound to America so ends this day Lat 41-23 = Long 62-00

Wednesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup>  
All of this day fine weather the wind from N.E. to S.W. at 10 A.M. went on board of the Bark Lebow's Capt Combs 16. bound to New York from Newell's 45 day of hire I obtained 1 box of



Wednesday Aug 13th

Gannets, and some boobies, saw several  
other sail boats to America. I have not seen  
but 3 vessels bound that way since I left  
Homer, but here there is nine in sight now  
they have had very light westerly winds and  
calms - so that they are all jammed up here  
at 6 P.M. saw a shoal of Grampuses  
one of Blackfish and Porpoises without  
number here, all going quick to the South  
so ends this day with a nice breeze about  
West Lat 41-30- Long 65-00

Thursday August 14th

First part of this day strong breeze from  
the S.W. at 4 A.M. saw a small scho  
standing to the South; at 5 A.M. carried  
away our fore top gallant Mast. at  
9 split gaff took sail at 11 split  
Main stay sail. at 11 sound had 20 fathoms  
on the go. Ledges bank at 1 P.M. had  
the same. the wind came into the N.W. with  
a very heavy squall. at 2 it moderated and  
started back to the S.W. we then had  
20 fathoms at 3 had 45 fms at 4 no  
water at 8 P.M. the wind came into West  
and moderated - so ends this day

Friday Aug 15th

First part of this day calm saw a scho  
collected for a gravel bank at 10 the wind  
began to blow to the N at 1 it started to west  
at 5 P.M. spoke the scho Bonnaventure bound to Cape  
York fishing







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Expenses on Brig Chickerson in 1851  
January 20<sup>th</sup>

to Port Charges in Salt Island	11.68
" Council's Fees	2.00
" Blacksmith's bill	1.50
" Repairing Clock	1.00
" two Eggs	2.00
Cr by 1/2 barrel of Mackerel	20.18
	6.00
	<u>24.18</u>

April 15 bought a spar for a Giboon  
of Capt Gardner

25.00  
39.18

June  
To Move Water and recruits at the Western  
Islands 6 Barrels of whale Oil  
" 8 " "

Dr to Capt Seanarch Small or Bark  
Rothchild for a boat, and sundries - 40.00  
~~3 barrels of Oil~~  
Cr by 87 gallons of Whale Oil

Sold 1 cask of Breach received 6 barrels of cash and \$16.00

Paid for a Boat in Lake of Salt  
one Barrel of Beef one Barrel of Pork  
Paid for 26 barrels and water 3 barrels of Oil



Wells Fields Dr to F B Luch  
 to 1 Rub Shirt 1.50

James Mc Narin Dr to " "  
 to 1 Shirt 1.50

Shore traded away on this voyage 18 barrels of Oil.



By

Beauties of the mind are far preferable to the face  
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Contemplate the scenes of Eternity  
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To B. Lusk Jr to Francis  
 To cash five dollars for a spar 5.00



William Johnson Dr to P B Duck  
 to 3 yds of thin duck 20 cts per yd 60

James Bradshaw Dr to 2 yds of duck 20 40

Brig C. Pickerson Dr to P B Duck  
 to cash paid John Bob. for bounty 1,50

Francis	to 50 barrels bounty money	3.20
Wm Johnson	" " "	3.20
John Adams	" 50 "	2.50
Charles Pope		



(Where does the Blame Lie.

Oh pity me Lady I'm hungry and cold,  
Should I all my sorrows to you unfold  
I'm shure your kind heart with compassion would  
My Father's a Drunkard, but I'm not to Blame,

My Mother's consumptive & soon must depart.  
Her sorrows & her trials, have broken heart,  
My poor little sisters are starving oh shame,  
Our Father's a Drunkard, but we're not to Blame,

Time was we were happy, with plenty & peace,  
And every day saw our pleasures increase,  
Oh then with what kindness, we'd slip forth his name  
But now he is a Drunkard, yet we are not to Blame,

Time was when each morning around the fireside,  
Our Sire in the midst like a Saint would provide,  
And kneel & for blessings would call on God's name  
But now he is a Drunkard but we're not to Blame.

Our Father then loved us & all was delight,  
Untill he partook of this withering, blight,  
And sunk his poor family in misery & shame,  
Oh yes, he is a Drunkard but we're not to Blame.

My poor dying Mother must she feel the scorn,  
Must she be forsaken to perish forlorn,  
Oh Grief, when we call on that affectionate name  
I might well ask the world, can that saint be to Blame,



My Sisters, poor orphans, Oh what have they done  
 Why should you neglect them, or why will you shun  
 Let not, foul disgrace, be attached to their name, (Blame)  
 Though their Fathers in Drunkards They are not to

At Sea - Coast of Africa Sunday April 27/51

### Universal Decay.

We receive such repeated intimations of decay,  
 in the world through which we are passing;  
 decline and change and loss, follow, decline and  
 change and loss, in such rapid succession, that  
 we can almost catch the sound of universal  
 wasting, and hear the work of desolation going  
 on busily around us. The mountain falleth  
 cometh to naught, and the rock is removed out  
 of its place. The waters wear the stones, the  
 things which grow out of the dust of earth, are  
 washed away, and the hope of man is destroyed.  
 Conscious of our own instability, we look about for  
 something to rest upon; but we look in vain.

The Heavens, and Earth have a beginning, and  
 they will have an end. The face of the earth  
 is changing daily and hourly. All animated things  
 grow old and die. The rocks crumble, the trees  
 fall, the leaves fade, and the grass withers.  
 The clouds are flying and the waters are flowing  
 away from us. The firmest works of man too  
 are gradually giving way. The ivy clings to  
 the mouldering tower, the briar hangs out  
 from the shattered window and the wall-flower  
 springs from the disjointed stones.



The founders of these perishable works have shared  
 the same fate long ago. If we look back to the  
 days of our ancestors to the men as well as  
 the dwellings of former times, they become immediately  
 connected associated in our imaginations, and only  
 serve to make the feeling of instability stronger  
 and deeper than before. In the spacious domes,  
 which once held our Fathers, the serpent hisses  
 and the wild bird screams. The halls, which  
 were once crowded with all that taste and science  
 and labor could procure, which were lighted up with  
 beauty, and resounded with melody, are hurried by  
 their own ruins, mocked by their own desolations.  
 The voice of merriment and wailing, the steps of the  
 busy and the idle have ceased in the deserted  
 courts, and the weeds choke the entrance entrance  
 and the long grass weaves upon the hearth stone.  
 The works of art, the forming bench the tombs  
 the very ashes, they contained, are all gone.  
 While we thus contemplate on the ruins of the  
 past a sad feeling of insecurity comes over us;  
 and that feeling is by no means diminished  
 when we arrive at home. If we turn to our friends  
 we can hardly speak to them, before they bid us  
 farewell. We see them for a short time, and in  
 a short time their countenances are changed and  
 they are sent away never more to return on  
 earth again. Their voice is hushed in death, and  
 nothing is left save that sad memorial of man's  
 mortality. It matters not how near and dear they are.  
 The ties that bind us together are never so close  
 to be parted, or so strong to be broken. Tears  
 were never known, to move the king of terrors;



whether is it enough, that we are compelled to surrender  
 one, are two, or many of those we love: for though the  
 price is so great we buy no favors with it, and our  
 hold on those that remain, is as slight as ever.

We gain no confidence then by turning to our kinfolk.  
 We know the forms that breathe around us are as  
 are as short-lived and fleeting as those were which  
 have been dust for centuries. The sensation of ~~vanity~~  
 uncertainty, and ruin, is equally strong whether  
 we muse on what has long been prostrate or gaze  
 on what is falling now or what will fall so soon.  
 Of everything which comes under our notice, has  
 endured so short a time and in so short time will  
 be no more, we cannot say that we feel the least  
 assurance by thinking on ourselves. When a few more  
 friends have left a few more hopes ~~deceiv~~, and a  
 few more changes mock us, we shall be brought  
 to the grave, and shall be laid in the tomb:  
 every man shall follow us, as they are ~~innumerable~~  
 before us. All power will have forsaken the strongest;  
 and the loftiest shall be laid low: every eye will  
 be closed, every voice hushed, and every heart will  
 cease its beating. And when we shall have gone ourselves  
 our memories will not survive long. A few of  
 the near and dear, will bear our likeness in their  
 bosoms till they too shall arrive at their journey's  
 end, and enter the dark valley of unconsciousness.  
 In the thoughts of others we shall dwell only till the last  
 sound of the bell informs of our departure shall cease  
 to vibrate in their ears. A stone perhaps may tell some  
 wanderer where we lie, when we come here when we went  
 away, but even that will soon refuse to bear us  
 record: time effacing fingers will be at work



on the face of it and at length will wear it smooth  
and then the stone it self will sink or crumble  
and fall. and the wanderer of another age will  
pass without a single call upon his sympathy, over  
our unhuddled graves. Sunday April 27. <sup>Lat</sup> 40:21 <sup>Long</sup> 17:16

### On the Eternity of God

In contemplating the scenes of Earth and of  
and of Time, we could be hold nothing that could  
give us any security or consolation whatever. No  
being in whom we could place the least confi-  
dence, that they would continue with us, or of  
ourselves that we could tarry here long.

But thank God, there is one Being (who  
is not of this world) to whom we can look with  
a perfect conviction of finding that security  
which nothing about us can give and which  
nothing about us can take away. To this being  
we can lift up our souls, and on Him we may  
rest them, exclaiming in the language of the  
monarch of Israel. Before the mountains were  
brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the  
earth, and the world, even from everlasting to  
everlasting Thou art God. Of old hadst Thou  
laid the foundations of the earth and the Heavens  
are the work of thy hands. They shall perish but  
Thou shalt endure, yea all of them shall wax old  
like a garment, as a vesture shalt thou change them  
and they shall be changed. But Thou art the same  
and thy years shall have no end. Here then is a  
support which will never fail, here is a foundation  
which can never be moved. The everlasting Creator  
of countless worlds; the high and lofty one that  
inhabits Eternity.

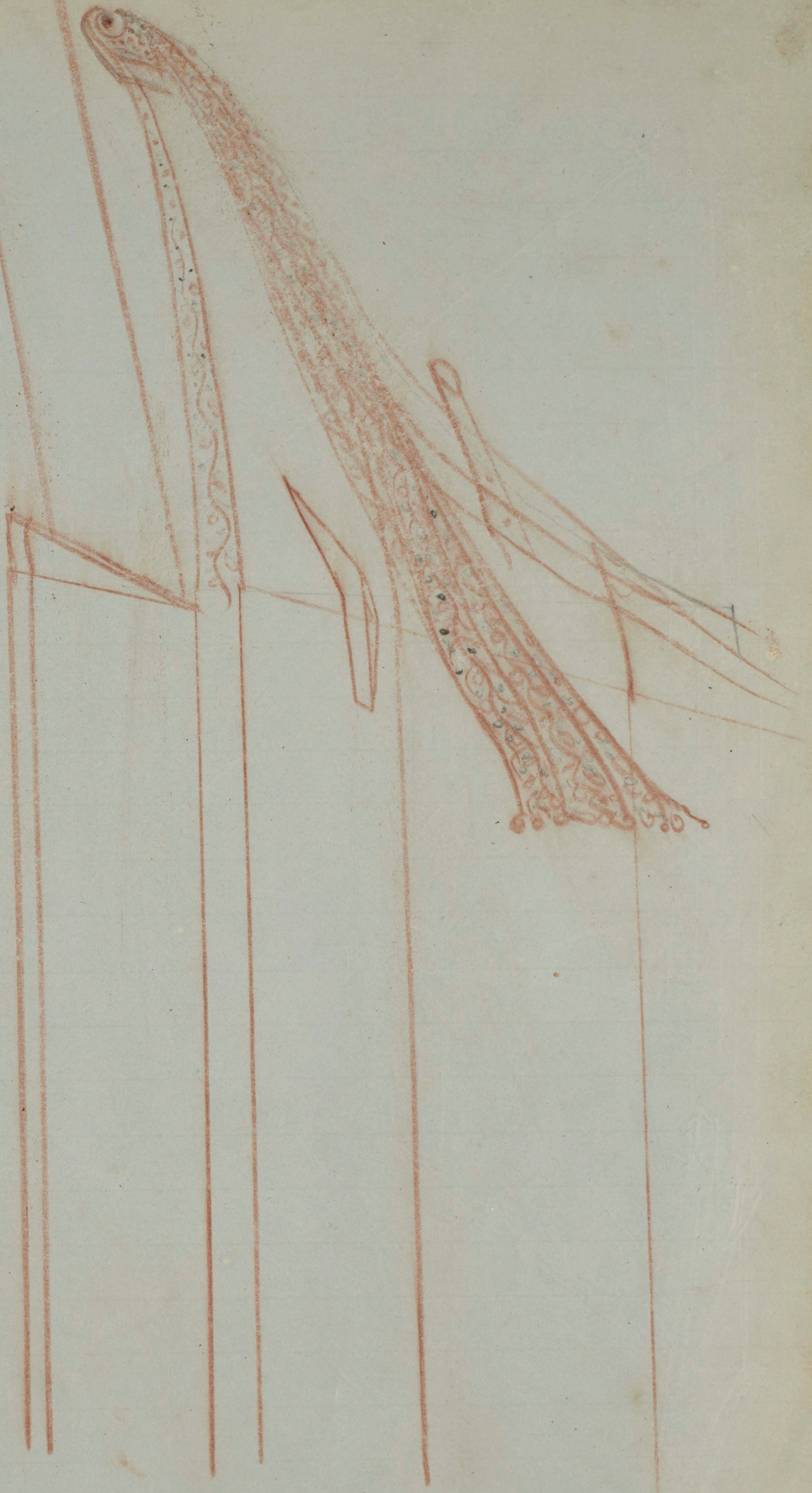


What a sublime conception! He inhabits Eternity,  
 occupies this inconceivable duration, pervades and fills  
 throughout this boundless dwelling. Ages on ages  
 before even the dust of which we are formed, was he  
 created, He had existed in infinite majesty,  
 and ages on ages will roll away, after we all have  
 returned to the dust whence we were taken; and still  
 He will exist in infinite majesty, living in the  
 eternity of his own nature, reigning in the plenitude  
 of his own Omnipotence, forever sending forth  
 words, which form, govern, <sup>and</sup> supports all things,  
 commanding new created light to shine on new created  
 worlds, and raising up new created generations  
 to <sup>inhabit</sup> ~~govern~~ them. The contemplation of this glorious  
 attribute of God, is fitted to excite in our minds the  
 most animating, and consoling reflections. Standing as  
 we are among the ruins of time, and the wreck of matter, and  
 the crash of worlds, we rejoice that one Being stood from  
 everlasting, and will remain forever. When we have looked  
 on the pleasures of life, and they have vanished away;  
 When we have looked on the works of nature, and perceived  
 that they are changing; on the monuments of Art, and seen that  
 would not stand; on our friends, and they have fled; while  
 we were gazing on ourselves, and felt that we are as fleeting as  
 they; when we have looked on every object, to which we could turn  
 our anxious eyes, and they have told us they could give us  
 no hope, because they were so feeble themselves; we can look  
 to the Throne of God: change and decay have never reached  
 that; the revolutions of ages have never moved it. The waves  
 of Eternity have been rushing past it, but it has remained  
 unshaken; the waves of another Eternity are rushing  
 towards it, but it is fixed and can never be  
 disturbed. Sunday April 27/5, east of Africa  
 Lat 17-40 Long 21-10 Frank

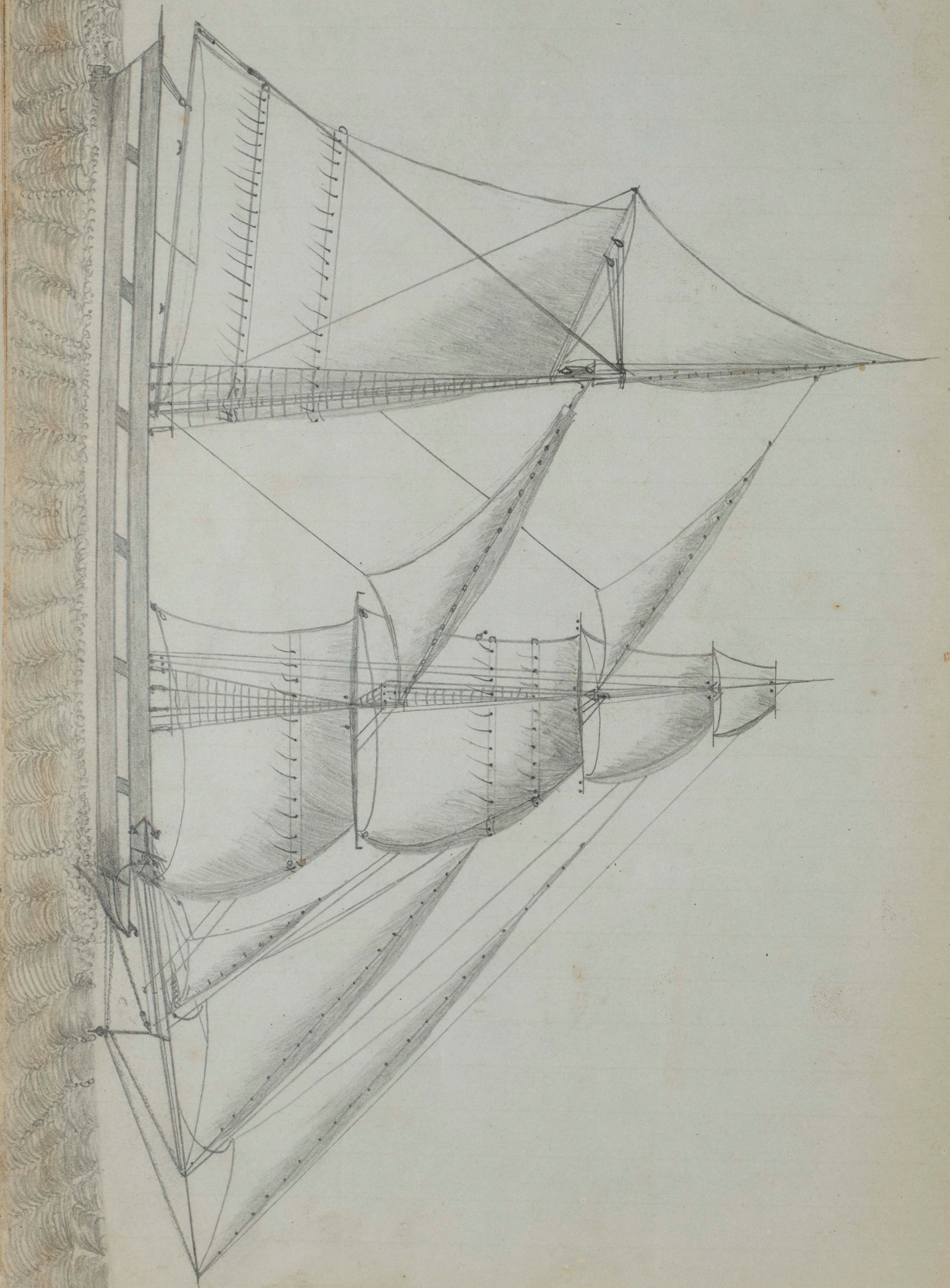


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Louisa Aug 16 1847

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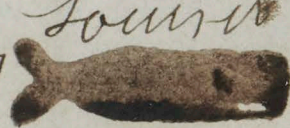
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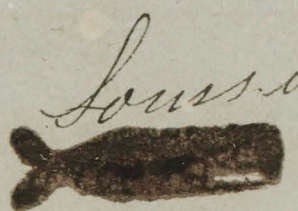
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John Adams Aug 8 1846

Harry Cook Medford

John Adams  
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## Earthly Bliss.

The Spider's most attenuated thread  
Is cord; is cable to man, slender tie  
On earthly bliss; it breaks at every breeze.  
Home.

Man per chance; soured by the world's sharp  
Commerce, or impaired, by the wild wanderings  
Of his summer ways, Turns like a transient-  
Scholar to his home. And yields his nature  
To sweet influences, that purify & save.

## The Orphan.

Friendless orphan sad & lone,  
There is one who hears thy woe,  
Kind to succor, strong to save,  
Though thine all is in the Grave;  
Faint not then beneath his rod,  
Jesus is the Orphan's God.

## Age For Wisdom

As the sunset of life gives us mystical lore,  
And coming events cast their shadows before.

## A Good Man.

Large angel guide my pencil,  
While I draw, what nothing else  
Than Angel can exceed,  
A Man devoted to the skies.

September Friday 22. A. 1848.

This day I am 24 years old.

Joseph W. Buck.







A handwritten musical score on five staves. The notation is in a single system, likely for a piano or similar instrument. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music consists of a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests. The notation is written in a cursive, handwritten style. The paper is aged and shows some staining and wear along the edges.







Whales, Seen, & Taken on Board.  
 The Barque Parker, Cook. of Provincetown.  
 Mass. 1845. & 1846. commanded by Capt.  
 Gamaliel B. Smith. on her first Voyage.  
 in the North and South Atlantic Oceans.



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 The nose are round - the jet - hole of



June Saturday The 28<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1845-

Fine weather, in Lat 31.27 North Lon 52.50.45 West  
Saw a shoal of Sperm Whales. Small & large  
at 2 P.M. got fast to one in the Harbour Bay  
after 3 hours chase, which made 30 Barrels. 17<sup>th</sup>



July Wednesday The 16<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1845-

Fine weather, & very smooth. Light winds from  
the North. in Lat 31.10 North Lon 49.30.45 West  
at 10 minutes of 5 A.M. saw a large shoal of  
Sperm Whales, all around the ship, before the  
Docks were washed off. Lowered & made out to get  
2 which made 30 Barrels. so ends this scrape.



July Friday The 18<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1845-

Fair weather, & smooth. in Lat 31.08 North  
Lon 49.01.45 West saw a large shoal of Sperm  
Whales. Large & small together. Lowered & gave  
chase. The crew being rather green, made some  
bothers in rowing. never got fast. such as cross  
spring their oars, & falling backwards. & so forth. &c. &c.





July Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1845.

Fine weather, & light winds from the South West, in Lat  $31^{\circ} 09'$  North, Long  $48^{\circ} 50' 15''$  West, saw 2 40 Barrell Whales. The first Mate struck one on the broad side, it being slack skin. The harpoon, never entered. it being Dark. gave it up. &c.



July, Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> sea account. 1845

Fine weather, & light breeze from South East & smooth, in Lat  $30^{\circ} 14'$  North, Long  $49^{\circ} 25'$  West saw a large shoal of Sperm Whales, which had been playing around the ship all night. At 8 A.M. struck one to the Waist-Boat & killed him. Large enough to make 50 Barrells of oil, but made 17 Barrells on account of a large sore on his side. saw and tried a number of others, but could not come it quite





July Monday <sup>the 28<sup>th</sup></sup> sea account 1845

Fine weather, & light breezes from the westward  
 ship running to the Northward, in Latitude  
30° 50' North, Long 49° 14' 15" West, at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past  
 5 P.M. saw a large Sperm Whale, going very  
 quick to the North East. Lowered the Larboard  
 Boats, & gave chase, he went down a short  
 time after we lowered, & became surf before  
 we saw him again, so we got our labor for our  
Fairs





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September, Wednesday <sup>The</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> sea account. 1845;

Fresh gales from the East South East, ship running Southward, in company with Sch. Joshua Brown of Provincetown. Capt. Genn. in Lat 35° 31' North, & Lon 23° 29' 45" West. Saw a shoal of Large Sperm Whales. Lowered & got fast to a 60 B barrel, Capt. Genn's. Starboard & Larboard Boats got fast, & got firm a floating bloe. but it being Dark & very rough, was obliged to cut from him. so ends this. &c.



December Saturday <sup>The</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> sea account, 1845.

Fresh gales from the East North East, the ship standing to the Eastward, in Lat 23° 26' South, Lon 34° 55' 45" West. Saw a shoal of small Sperm Whales, saw 2, one 8 Barrels & one 30 Barrel. struck another, but lost him, it being very rough. so ends this scrape. &c.





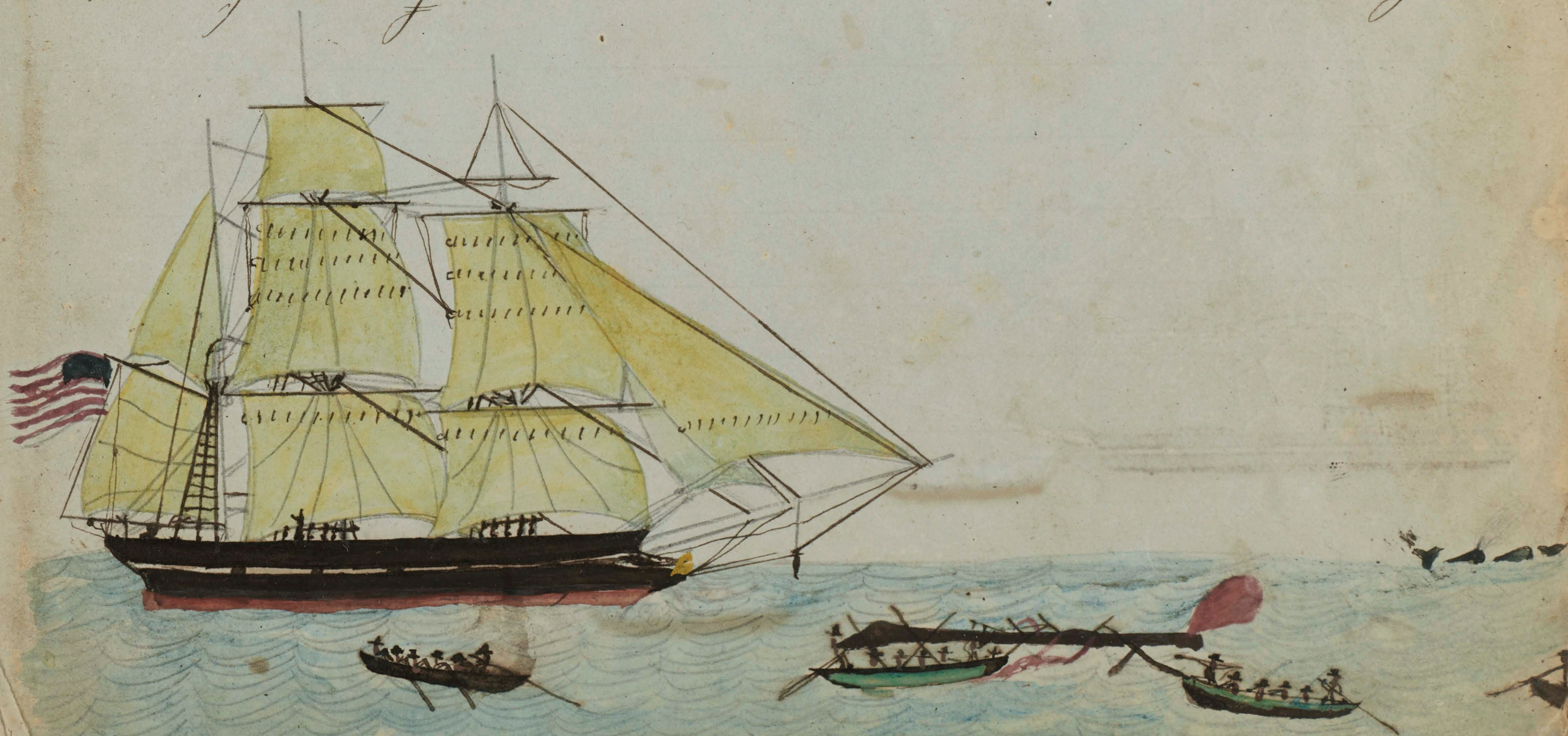
December Tuesday <sup>The</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> sea account 1845.

Fine light breeze, from the North East the ship standing to the Northward, in Lat 21° 22' South Lon 31° 22' 30' West. saw a large Sperm Whale, alone, lowered the Boats & gave chase. The whale being startled could not get fast, got within 10 feet of her Flukes.



January Saturday <sup>The</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846

Light breeze, & clear, but a very heavy sea on, in Lat 15° 57' South. Lon near 36° 20' 45' West. Saw a shoal of large Sperm Whales. Bowed to the Northward. Lowered in company with the Brig Mexico's Boats. at 1 P.M. Starboard Boat got fast, in striking, shd the whale stove the Boat, was obliged to give gone, half to capt Wing to kill him he having taking the line. at 3 P.M. took him along side.





January Tuesday <sup>the</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846.

Pleasant gales, & smooth weather. The ship standing to the Southward, in Lat 16.00 South Lon. 36.15.45 West, saw a shoal of large Sperm Whales, bound to the Eastward, very quick. Lowerd 2 Boats & came chase, but they had no Bales, Eyes, & Fins. we had our labours for our pains,



April <sup>29<sup>th</sup></sup> Wednesday <sup>the</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> sea account. 1846

Fresh gales from the Southward & very stormy with thunder & lightning. The ship lying under short sail, in Lat 32.11 North Longitude 13.30.15 West, at 3 P M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales. Lowerd & got 3 small ones. made 30 Barrells. Like to have met with a loss of waigt Boat & crew. by the whale taking the Boat under the bow.





May Thursday The 6<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846

Fresh gale from the Southward, ship standing East. in Lat 32° 38' North. Long 73° 06' 30" West saw a shoal of large Sperm Whales, bound to the Southward, & going very quick. Loward & gave chase & that is all we did do. came on board & took up the Board.



May Sunday The 16<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846

Light breezes from East South East, ship standing North East under short sail, at 1 P.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales, bound to the Southward. it being Sunday, had no left up to look out, consequently never saw the whales till the ship was in amongst them. Loward & gave chase but got nothing. Lat 33° 00' North Long 74° 03' West



May Friday The 21<sup>st</sup> sea account 1846.

Fine pleasant weather, & very smooth. ship standing South East. The island of Bermuda just in sight to the Westward, Dist 15 miles. at 4 P.M. spoke An hermaphrodite Brig, from Portorico bound to Bermuda. at 6 P.M. saw a shoal of Sperm Whales Loward for them, but it became dark before we could reach them. so ends this day, &c.





May Sunday <sup>The</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> sea account 1846

Fine pleasant weather, & light breeze from the West North West. plenty of flying fish & flying squid, at 6 P.M. saw a large school of small Sperm Whales. lowered & got 2 small ones, it being dark lost two that we lanced, & one from which we drew. This was in Lat 31.48 North & Long 53.49 west



August Sunday & Monday <sup>The</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> 1846.

In Latitude 32.15 North & Longitude 51.15.45 west saw Sperm Whales three times, first & second times they were started & going quick. The last time went up along side of Wake or 1 but never got fast so we gave it up & went home to old Cape Cod with 180 Bar



August Tuesday <sup>The</sup> sea account 1846

In Lat 32.16 N & Long 50.48.15 west calm & very smooth the ship heading North. At 1 P.M. saw a large sperm whale alone & going quick lowered & gave chase but came back as we went.









The Betrayer — Sir, oh no we never mentioned  
 How passed my youthful hours  
 Ere innocence had fled:

I wondered what made others sigh  
 And hang the drooping head  
 I loved not then deceitful man  
 I courted not his praise  
 Alas! I never more shall see  
 Those once delightful days

They told me man was ever false  
 Had win me, then deceive;  
 But their advice I heeded not  
 I would not them believe  
 So surely do I feel their truth  
 Another now's his bride  
 My heart is crushed as I behold  
 Her walking by his side

More pleasure now he seems to know  
 Than when he walked with me;  
 His smiles seem smiles of happiness  
 But, oh! they cannot be!  
 True bliss can never never reign  
 Within his wily breast  
 And he'll soon learn that I am lame  
 Where griefs no more molest Maria







# My Father's Grave. by J. S. Beahm

Here lies beneath this clayey mound  
The guardian of my youth  
He, who impressed my infant mind  
With sentiments of Truth.

His days on earth have numbered been  
His earthly toils are o'er,  
And sorrows unrelenting stings  
Can pierce his heart no more.

From scenes of darkness pain & grief  
His spirit took its flight  
To regions of unchanging bliss,  
And never fading light.

While in the world he shared its ills,  
And felt its bitter woes,  
Suffered alike from feeble friends  
And unavowed foes.

But here, secure from every harm  
He enjoys a peaceful rest.  
Nor can the storms of life disturb  
The calmness of his breast.

That chiding voice which oft we hear  
When leaving wisdom's way,  
Entreating me in softest tones  
Get in her paths to stay.



Is hushed now in the sleep of Death  
 And none will greet my ear,  
 Whittill past orish'd & amag'd  
 The last fond Brutus I hear.

Those active limbs, which quickly moved  
 To do their Maker's will  
 Now lie beneath this earthly pile  
 Insensible & still.

Oh! valued spot! dear to my heart  
 The chamber of a friend  
 I too must find this narrow house  
 When earthly cares shall end.

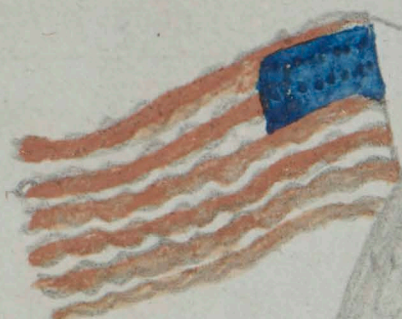
There may my devious feet presume  
 The way that they has trod.  
 That when with life is made to part  
 I may be with my God.

Executed May <sup>the</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> at sea account at sea  
 in Latitude 21.35 South & Lon 2. 30.45 West  
 on board the Barque, Parker Cook, of & from  
 Provincetown, commanded by Capt. G. P. Smith  
 7 months out, with 100 Barrells of Sperm oil on  
 board, on her passage from St. Thomas C. of A.  
 to St. Helena



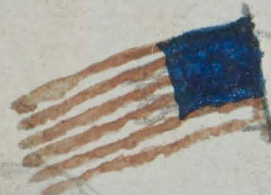
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